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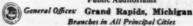
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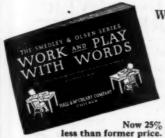
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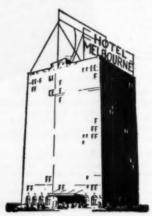
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First, the shortened general programs. One speaker on the evening programs and two at the morning sessions! This deserves Hallelujahs and te Deums. Four speakers on a general program is an atrocity that defies justification. Nothing is more productive of crime, in act and in thought,

than long programs and long speeches. The fact that many otherwise Christian people are guilty of arranging long programs and making long speeches is one of the best surviving arguments for total depravity.

The second reform, we think, will be brought into realization by the adoption of the one just mentioned. Who during the past few years, at some time or other, has not been annoyed by the general confusion in the assembly hall when a three-or-fourhundred-dollar-an-hour-man was attempting to give us an hour of his thoughts? Who has not seen one of our convention halls when it looked like the subway at Times Square just after the theaters had closed? Who if he has a good memory and is honest with himself has not contributed something to this pandemonium? Well Mr. Bracken says modestly enough that a good natured attempt will be made to eliminate this condition. We think the shortened program will go so far toward removing these "scenes of confusion" that perfectly good natured efforts will be adequate to complete the task.

"THE DEBT ETERNAL"

From N. Y. Times

There is one debt for which no moratorium can with safety be declared. It is the one to which the Minister of Education in England, H. A. L. Fisher, referred in the midst of the World War, "the eternal debt of maturity to childhood and youth"—edu-

cation. After health and physical safety it is the first obligation of the State. Not only should the schools now be kept going at their best, but children and youth who are normally drawn into industry at a younger age should be encouraged to continue their schooling rather than seek employment in competition with older persons, who cannot so readily adapt themselves to changed conditions. This may often mean parental sacrifice, but it is the best investment that can be made when it is at all possible.

Though it was one of the darkest periods of the war, England made plans for extending public education. The very act was in itself a significant expression of confidence in the victorious outcome of the struggle. And in no way can determination to make the best of this slack period be manifested more impressivly and more helpfully than in seeing that children are prepared for their fullest development and their most useful living. It is a period when there must be adjustment to new conditions in industry, commerce and the professions. Vocational guidance will be especially called for in facing the new conditions confronting this generation entering upon the work of the world. Another year in school should find its hundreds of thousands of youth not only better equipped in general but more specifically and effectively introduced to occupations where their services will be in demand.

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This should be the principal benefit of their postponed entry into their vocations. But there is the incidental good to which the President's Emergency Committee calls special attention. It urges as one of the objectives the keeping of all children under sixteen in school "in this time of surplus labor and increasing demands of industry for skill and judgment." It also would encourage undergraduates and members of 1931 high school and college graduating classes to remain in school for like reasons.

A further recommendation is that adults and young people who have left school and who find themselves without employment should take advantage of this opportunity to resume their education or training. They may even succeed in preparing themselves for new vocations and so, having at least two strings to their bow, be the better fitted to meet emergencies. In many cases they may be enabled to do what they have wanted to do but have not had the courage to attempt with a certain wage in hand or in prospect.

Altogether it may be made a time of transition toward a higher level of American life. Other sacrifices must be made, but they should not interfere with the payment of our full debt to the children and youth. Education is the "debt eternal."

DISTRICT ASSOCIATION DATES: Warrensburg and Maryville, Oct. 22-23; Kirksville, Cape Girardeau, Joplin and Rolla, October 22-24.

INVESTIGATE BEFORE INVESTING

THE SCHOOLS of this state have lost thousands of dollars because they have been preyed upon by unscrupulous salesmenship. No board should buy anything until after investigation upon its part reveals the article or articles offered for sale are needed and that they have been approved by either the county superintendent or the State Department. No board should issue any warrant either in part payment or full payment for any purchase until after delivery is made and the board is satisfied with the purchase.

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Salesmen covered the state this spring and summer and sold expensive flags and poles to schools telling board members the schools could not get their state money until they bought such flag and equipment. There is a law requiring all schools supported in whole or in part by the state to display the flag during the hours school is in session and it is a good law. The Department first urged this five or six years ago. However, the law makes no specifications about the flag further than to say it shall be displayed on a pole or the outside of the school building. Since it is the spirit of patriotism rather than the intrinsic value of the flag which is most important, it was not necessary for schools to spend \$18 to \$25 for flags and poles as many were induced to do. We believe \$5 is enough to provide a good flag and pole.

A man went across the state last summer and sold thousands of dollars worth of school supplies to boards, secured warrants in payment for the supplies and no deliveries were ever made. The Department put forth a great deal of effort to cooperate in apprehending this unscrupulous salesman, but he was never found.

Boards have been induced to buy sets of books in the belief the Department or county superintendent required these books or indorsed them. Every county superintendent should warn every board in his or her county not to buy anything unless it can be established the Department or county superintendent does sanction what is being offered for sale.

We recognize legitimate business and methods and will cooperate with such. We know schools must have supplies, but desire to prevent their dissipating funds either by purchasing useless things some salesman has offered under false pretense, or wasting money on pseudo salesmen who have nothing to sell and simply get district warrants and vanish.

Furthermore, we are opposed to the schools being commercialized in any way including being used for advertising. School work throughout the year is most important and this should be carried on without interruption.

Every board should adopt the principle "Investigate Before Investing."
CHAS. A. LEE.

This world would be a lonely place,
If only I were in it.
I think I'd like to live therein
For almost half a minute!
—EDWIN OSGOOD GROVER.

SCHOOL AGAIN

GATHROUGH THE MAGIC portal in competition with other schools. land which properly describe the opening have become all too common. of school. Whether they do actually will depend on those who are re-

sponsible for the spirit that pervades the school house, the teachers.

It is well for us to examine ourselves before we assume a work which is important far beyond any financial remuneration we may or may not receive, for whatever our financial needs may be, or however much our monthly salaries have entered into our consideration in accepting the position of teacher, there is only one real reason for our being a teacher and that our work.

SPORT

There was a time when many people would have left "sport" out of the list of essentials in school life. Its overemphasis in some schools and institutions is cause for the questioning of its value even now, but no thoughtful person will deny that good, clean, wholesome sport is a builder of character, health and ability. The teacher's spirit should be one which encourages, appreciates sports, and even desires her school to reach a high need not include a long list of victories

of September into the bright We've allowed ambitious citizens and of Sport, Fun, Study, and alumnae to over emphasize this Achievement" should be the words standard until pernicious practices time for us to look more to sport for describe the experience of children sport's sake, and to value it for what it may do for youth, not forgetting

> those who need it most. Certainly the door of sport should be open to all children.

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FUN

Heaven help the child who finds himself in a school where fun is under a ban! The fact that such schools are becoming fewer and fewer in number as the years go by is one evidence of improvement in educational policy and theory.

STUDY

We have seen schools and products of schools which might lead us to

is that society may be benefited by believe that this fundamental function is sometimes almost overlooked by teachers. This is the really serious business of education, to teach the art of study. After all there are certain things to be learned, certain skills to be acquired, certain abilities and attitudes to be attained which can be learned, acquired or attained only through study. And the ability to study is in itself of utmost importance. It is a prime essential of success in most lines of effort and a necessary qualification for citizenship in a democracy. Activity is not enough. To standard in that field. This standard be of the highest educative value activity should be thoughtful, purpose-



I hrough the Magic Portal of September into the Bright Land of Sport, Fun. Study and Achievement!

ful, and independent. Study gives activity these qualities.

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A CHIEVEMENT is the normal ambition of all. To live a day without a sense of having done something worthwhile is to live a miserable day and neither teacher nor pupil can be happy without the feeling of achievement. Yet how often do we neglect the means by which we can be certain of our progress! How prone we are to substitute guessing for knowledge in this regard. Even when we have available the means for fairly accurate measurements by which we can determine whether advancement has been real and reasonably satisfactory!

Teachers who overlook these checks and measurements by which they and their pupils may see the amount and rate of achievement are not only overlooking a stimulus to effort, they are fostering delusion, error and dishonesty.

And all of this is character education. Sport, fun, study, achievement are elements out of which character is to be forged on the anvil of education. Penuriousness in time, effort, and money recommended by a common politician in the Governor's Chair or on a street corner will never reach this ideal of education.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAM

DR. S. PARKES CADMAN, eminent orator and brilliant divine, will open the 1931 convention of the Missouri State Teachers' Association in the Coliseum in St. Louis on the evening of Wednesday, November 11. Because the convention opens on a holiday, it is expected that many teachers from all over Missouri will have assembled before this Armistice Day address, with its setting of special music, begins.

GENERAL programs throughout the remainder of this busy week will be characterized by their brevity as well as by the distinguished speakers who will contribute to them. The entire program has been developed with the thought that the general programs should be confined to cultural topics, to inspirational addresses and to matters of general concern, leaving questions of teaching technique and of localized interest to the departmental programs. General programs held in the morning will present two speakers and evening programs will be limited to a single address.

O N Thursday morning Dr. Charles H. Judd will speak on the Federal support of education in the States and Ruth Bryan Owen, distinguished Member

of Congress and friend of education, will fly from Texas to appear before the convention. Glenn Frank comes back to his native Missouri for the general session on Thursday evening. Dr. Frank will address himself to the disturbed economic situation.

HE general program on Friday morning will present Merle Thorpe, Editor of "The Nation's Business," official organ of the United States Chamber of A former Missouri school-Commerce. teacher, Mr. Thorpe is noted for his speaking to large audiences in person as well as for the addresses he delivers to the radio audience. With Mr. Thompe is included Dr. Albert Edward Wiggam, author and lecturer, who will discuss the pertinent Subject, "What is Civilization Dougles Us?" Many teachers are familiar with "What is Civilization Doing to such works of Dr. Wiggam as "The Fruit of the Family Tree," "The New Decalogue of Science," and "The Marks of an Educated Man."

HENRY TURNER BAILEY, beloved of audiences everywhere, will deliver the address on Friday evening, speaking on his favorite theme, "The Use of Leisure Time." Dr. Bailey's address will be followed by a forty-five minute concert given by the Second Missouri State High

School Orchestra under the direction of J. L. Biggerstaff, Kirksville State Teachers' College. This concert will be broadcast.

THE final program, on Saturday morning, will be distinguished by addresses from two educational leaders, both platform-worthy aside from the high offices which they hold: Florence Hale, of Maine, President of the National Education Association, and Dr. Edwin C. Broome, Superintendent of Schools in Philadelphia and President of the Department of Superintendence. This program, which will be held in the Gold Room at the Hotel Jefferson, will also present a brief consideration of the outstanding program of educational finance recently adopted by the State of Missouri.

THE sectional meetings to which Thursday afternoon is devoted will be addressed by leaders in the field of sectional interest. The College and University Section will hear Dr. Judd and Dr. Frank. The High School Section will be addressed by Dr. Daniel H. Eikenberry, formerly of the University of Missouri and now of Ohio State University and by Dr. R. L. Lyman, of the University of Chicago. The Elementary School Section will present Lucy Gage, of Peabody College, and Henry Turner Bailey. The program of the Vocational Education Section is not yet ready for announcement.

Departmental programs on Friday afternoon include effective speakers, expert in their educational touch, many of whom have not been heard in Missouri. In addition to Miss Gage, Henry Turner Bailey, Dr. Eikenberry, Dr. Wiggam, Dr. Lyman and Florence Hale, who will speak before departmental groups in connection with their work before sectional and general audiences, the list of Departmental Speakers includes the following interesting people: Dr. W. A. Oldfather, University of Illinois; Edith Parker, University of Chicago; Frances Zuill, University of Iowa; Dr. Algernon Coleman, University of Chicago; Lucile Fargo, Peabody College; Fred Anibal, former Missourian, Head of the Science Department, University of Chicago High School; Dr. Norman Frost, Peabody College; Elsie Smithies, University of Chicago High School; John Montgomery, prominent Missouri Agriculturalist; Dr. J. O. Hassler, University of Oklahoma; and Frank D. Slutz, Dayton, Ohio.

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Within the available budget, an effort is being made to send an outside speaker to every department whose officers desire such a contribution. As this is written, only four departments are as yet unsupplied.

HE only modification of program policy, aside from the shorter programs and the distinction between general and departmental addresses, will be noted in an attempt to make the programs safe-and audible, for the audience. The situation in the Coliseum is such as to invite traffic and to add to the disturbance caused by casual conversation during the course of the programs. A good natured attempt will be made to limit audiences to those who are present as the speaker begins. The briefer programs in prospect will allow those interested to assemble before the programs open and it is believed that the teachers of Missouri will welcome a definite movement to make more effective the influential addresses which will center interest in the big St. Louis convention.

HE WAS MY LITTLE BOY UNTIL TODAY.

By Beulah M. Huey

He was my little boy until today;
My own exclusively—at happy play.
An eager six-year-old, noisy, alert,
But just my baby when his toe was hurt.

But now he has a little chair at school, And teacher, and crayolas, and the cool White drinking fountain, and the world

And claim him, while before he had but me.

He was my little boy until today;

But Time will take this selfish view away;

This recompensing that I'll then enjoy; It takes the world to mother a boy.

ALPHA PHI SIGMA

CONTRIBUTED

SINCE the establishment of the honorary scholarship fraternity Phi Beta Kappa in William and Mary College many years ago, nearly every administrator in college or university has been in agreement in sponsoring and trying to develop scholarship organizations.

Today we have many divisional honorary scholarship institutions in our colleges. In the development of the honorary scholarship fraternity idea no one seems to have been interested in doing anything for the student in this direction during his first two years in college.

If scholarship has value in itself it seems that the ideals should be established under as attractive plans as possible much earlier than the senior college. The initiative and the beginnings of scholarship are usually found in the secondary school, and whatever initiative, skill, or advancement in this direction a student may have gained in the secondary school should be continued and emphasized immediately upon reaching college.

Alpha Phi Sigma encourages every high school boy and girl in the ideal of scholar-ship by offering to the students in the secondary schools a certificate on graduation to the salutatorians and valedictorians which authorizes immediate initiation in the order upon matriculation in the college where a chapter exists.

This organization helps in orientation and also in preserving and developing the beginnings of interest in scholarship. It offers a basis for grouping common interests without in any way interfering with any other organization. In the group where the fine ideals of scholarship are found other fine ideals have the opportunity of developing and growing.

The first chapter was established, February 26, 1930, in the Northeast Missouri State Teachers College at Kirksville, Missouri. Since then chapters have been organized at Warrensburg and Maryville, Missouri; Farmville and Fredericksburg,

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Virginia; Cullowhee, North Carolina, and Huntsville, Texas.

Even though the organization is very young, we have evidence showing that the idea is attractive to the freshmen college student. Even with little publicity it has been found that our enrollment in the class of salutatorians and valedictorians is a much larger percentage than in preceding years.

The students are very enthusiastic in their attitude toward the organization, because it gives them a chance to capitalize their secondary school endeavors and to enter immediately into membership with a well organized group of college students whose ideals appeal to their parents and all their friends without exception.

The organization can in no way interfere with the standard senior college organizations. It merely means that the boy or girl who has found the ideal of scholarship in secondary school is encouraged to continue the ideal in junior college and even on through to graduation.

He will find a greater interest in the other divisional scholarship groups, and he will immediately have a greater interest in trying to start the ideal in secondary schools. Where the idea has been presented it has received very fine support, and we believe that it is one of the fine orientating schemes as well as a means of giving publicity to finer college ideals.

The songs for county chorus this year have been selected from Victor records, numbers 20744 and 21751. Most of these are folk and familiar songs well suited for elementary school children. They are:

Fiddle-dee-dee
The Postilion
The Dairy Maids
My Banjo
Blow the Man Down
Sourwood Mountain
Billy Boy
Sweet Kitty Clover
Bendemeer's Stream
Spanish Guitar

THE RIGHT TO BE ASHAMED

William McAndrew

M Y LAND! How it rasped me, in the good old Michigan days, 1886-1890, to be called "professor" and I only a public-school teacher! I didn't want to stay

public-school teacher! I didn't want to stay as one, I didn't want the fact of being one

given attention. Why was that?

William H. Payne, the first to occupy a chair of education in an American University had taught us that teaching is a profession and a great one. Why shouldn't I have been as gratified at being called professor as a physician is proud of his title, "doctor", or as the lawyer is fond of his "esq."? Why was it that every mother's son and daughter of us in Professor Payne's classes at Ann Arbor, reciting his lessons upon the importance and dignity of the teachers service, had a deep-down intention to get out of it just as soon as our college debts were Laid?

I remember a dinner of forty members of the Schoolmasters Association of New York and Vicinity in 1896. John Buchanan, Principal of the Dewitt Clinton high school, in the course of a humorous address, asked all who had entered teaching with the intention of keeping at it to raise their hands. Nothing came up.

Again, I ask you, why was it?

If, before he applied for an appointment, each of those schoolmasters had made an analysis of the service, he would have recorded that it scores as high in importance, interesting processes, capacity for friendship, and many desirabilities, as does any profession. It hasn't nearly so many disagreeable necessities as there are in the practice of law or medicine. It is more certain of success in what is expected of it than the ministry is. It gives as good a living as the average year of the average practitioner in any of the higher pursuits. That was true in 1886. We had been challenged by Professor Payne to show the contrary. In spite of all the facts, what was wrong with us that we didn't want to go whole-heartedly into teaching as a profession ?

I'll tell you. It was a hang-over from

days before we were born.

Look at teachers in the literature of old days. Shakespere has one, "Pinch." The very name is an insult. The looks of him!

—"A hungry, lean faced villain, a mere anatomy, a mountebank, a threadbare juggler, a needy, hollow-eyed wretch, a

living dead man."

John Winthrop of early Massachusetts, writes in his diary how Nathaniel Eaton was haled to court for brutally beating with a walnut cudgel, "great enough to kill a horse," a lad of gentle birth bound out to him. The boy, thinking he would be murdered, began to pray, whereat the said Eaton beat him all the more for calling on the name of God in vain. Eaton was found guilty, but public opinion thought little of such misdemeanor considering the offender was a schoolmaster. He was good enough to be selected president of Harvard College, as, later, he was.

Roelentson, first schoolmaster in New Amsterdam, went to jail for a vicious offense, but the judge released him for there was no one to take care of the school chil-

dren.

Foster relates a typical conversation regarding a teacher:

"He's not to be depended on."

"True. He is usually drunken as is the custom here with schoolmasters."

Irving gave us a bad name. He moulded contemptibility, cowardice, hypocrisy and greed into a human being and sent it down the years labelled "Ichabod Crane, schoolmaster."

Under a great load of aged contempt, teaching repelled the man and woman possessed of any usual American ambition to stand well in the world. Here and there an unusually courageous Horace Mann, Henry Barnard, Susan Anthony or Alice Freeman, protested against the injustice and stupidity of the common contempt. Women, clever with the pen, wrote stories in which teachers acted like human beings.

Such efforts had as much success as a present attempt to depict an attractive Bolshevik would get. Godey's Ladies Book, in 1858, carried an editorial note asking contributors not to submit stories having schoolmistresses for heroines. It required a genius like Edward Eggleston or Bret Harte to get admiration for a Hoosier schoolmaster or the young man teacher in "M'liss". Even so, the reader understood that the despised occupation was, for any interesting person, only temporary.

Brought up in a society that had never fully corrected the old prejudices we young cubs in Professor Payne's class, while we could not intelligently look down on teaching, did despise teachers and determined not to be one for long. A doctor's position, a lawyer's, an editor's, a business man's—something like that—was the hope of every

one of us.

If I, at my present age, were back in 1886 I could give some tips to the young-sters who nursed an intent to jump out of teaching into the first bandwagon that came along. I would show them that medicine, law, business, and so forth, had also been once despised. I would have told the reluctant pedagogues how practitioners in other fields had reached a state of healthy self-respect and a command of

public regard.

It is not so very long ago, considering the age of the world, that about the only well-regarded occupations were ruling realms or souls and fighting. To be king, nobility, priest, or soldier, or a person considered useful to a ruler, was the only way to be a somebody. For generations the ordinary lawyer was a joke, "a bluffer with a hocus-pocus science", as an old comedy described him; "who smiles in your face as he picks your pocket." "Our wrangling lawyers," says the Hudikras, "are so busy quarrelling here on earth they won't be able to stop when they reach their after life in hell." You can imagine the applause of Shakespere's audience when Dick, the Butcher, cried, "The first thing we do, let's kill all the lawyers."

That profession had had a long need for elevating respect to be shown it by its own followers and others. How has the lawyer secured the regard he now has? I'll tell

you if you linger long enough.

The doctor of earlier times, with notable exceptions, was the butt of jibes enough. Remember Asa? "And Asa in his diseases sought the physicians; and Asa slept with his fathers." You know the old epitaph:

"I was well Wished to be better Consulted doctors And here am I."

The Emperor Adrian said "proclaim that I died of doctors." "A single doctor," ran an old saying, "is as a man with one oar sculling you to your end. But two are a pair of rowers who get you to it four times as fast." The sawbones, pill mixers, leeches have come into a place of confidence and honor. What brought him there? I'll tell you if you wait a bit.

The storekeepers felt no inferiority in my younger days but their respectability isn't very old. Napoleon called England "a race of shopkeepers." Some of our cynics of the pen seem hurt by dread that if America were thus insulted there would be a shout "You said it! Who's got a better right?" But it is not so very far back that the British Parliament received a report from its committee that the assumption of place by business men in political affairs. unless it was blocked, would ruin the nation. Herbert Spencer had been dead but a little while. His essays on the contemptibility of business would have astonished us of the eighteen eighties if we had read them. They showed society's contempt for business as deep as what we thought was the common disrespect for teaching.

Now, if you'll do me the honor to attend here next month, I'll review the methods by which medicine, law, business, teaching and other work has been raised to a higher respectability. It is something worth teaching to your boys and girls.

I began by exclaiming "My land!" When I think of taking my land's work, its children, and its wages, and of feeling ashamed of the job, I think it was pretty contemptible of me. It is my good fortune to have lived long enough, working along-side of "regular fellers," men and women teachers, to learn the big mistake and to know teaching as the most satisfying of the pursuits of mankind.

THE CHILD-CENTERED RURAL EDUCATION

By Cora E. Morris

HE RURAL Education Courses at the University of Missouri, Rolla Summer Session 1931, set as their slogans the modern educational phrases- "Progressive Rural Education Courses are for student participation and not for listening." "School work carries over into the concerns of every day life only through natural activities." "Teach the child to say, 'I have experienced' not to say, 'I know.'" They adopted the following principles to guide them in their courses, first, that the child centered rural school program must be recognized by its flexibility, adaptability, and a provision for a wide range of activities. Second, that provision must be made for individual as well as group participation in units of work centered around interests of a normal life

situation. Third, that the new rural school program must provide for longer periods and less uniform periods which are adapted to the changing needs of the work of the successive days. Fourth, that the daily program is not arranged for lessons but for activities.

Dr. J. W. Barley, director in charge of the summer session, made it possible for the instructor, Miss Cora E. Morris, State Rural Supervisor of Southwest District, and the rural teachers enrolled in the two courses to demonstrate the modern educational phrases and principles by furnishing them a large room which was used exclusively for their experiment. Since each student was a one-room rural teacher the class room for the summer was considered a one-room rural school.



Equipment for Rural Schools Made in the Rural Education Classes University of Missouri, Rolla Summer Session, 1931, and Illustrations of Units of Work to Apply Technique of Teaching.

The mind-set for the activities carried on in the "Rural School Organization and Management" class was created by a questiennaire which was given the students the second day of school. The questionnaire together with the replies follows: (In the class of fifty-four, forty-two taught last year.)

1. Did you teach in an approved school last year: Yes, 2. No, 40.

2. Was your library classified by the Dewey Decimal System? Yes, 2. No. 40.

3. Name the childrens' magazines used in your school. Four were named.

4. Was your flag mounted properly? Yes, 9. No. 33.

5. Did you teach the pledge to the Flag?

Yes, 4. No, 38.
6. How many of your children received Reading Circle Certificates? Two schools received them.

Did you have a bulletin board? Yes, 16. No. 26.

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Did you have a library reading table and chairs? Yes, 12. No, 32.

9. Did you have a sand table? Yes, 9. No,

10. Was your floor oiled? Yes, 27. No, 15. 11. How many of your children received Six or Nine-Point Health Buttons? Two schools had children who received them. 12. Did you have a Rhythm Orchestra? Yes,

4. No, 38.

The study of the replies from the questionnaires resulted in a wholehearted purposeful attitude toward the units of work which were arranged.

The Units of Work were:

1. Classification of a Rural School Library by the Dewey Decimal System including the use of cards and envelopes.

2. Collection and study of twenty magazines for children.

3. Construction of equipment needed to do effective teaching. Modern technique requires much and useful equipment.

4. Intensive study of the new school law. How it will effect the Rural School.

5. Six and Nine-Point Health Buttons for the children.

Collection and construction of instru-ments for Rhythm Orchestras.

The Sixty-eight students in the "Technique of Teaching in the Rural Schools" class selected four units of work to use in applying the principles and laws of learning. The units of work of current interest were:

1. George Washington Bicentennial.

"Old Ironsides" picture by Gordon Grant and the poem by Oliver Wendell Holmes.

3. Nature Study (A Unit of work on the

bunny) Poem, "The Bunny" by Edith King.

4. Music for rural schools.

a. Organizing a rhythm orchestra. b. Singing and study of the songs for rural schools for the coming year.

From the study of the concrete facts shown by the questionnaire the students in the "Organization and Management" class realized that their rural school for next year was as empty as the class room in which they were working. With this stimulus each member of the class went to work to equip the room with actual pieces of equipment. The class was divided into many committees. Each Committee presented a special piece of needed equipment. Then after samples were presented individual members of the class went to work to make actual equipment for his school for the coming year. Models or toys were not made, but instead actual equirment. In most instances the pieces which were made from the original sample were an improvement from the first one. When the "Technique of Teaching" class began to apply the Laws of Learning in developing their units of work for the demonstration of the modern educational slogans and principles set up to guide their course they realized a felt need for some equipment. Therefore, as soon as pieces of equipment were made it was immediately put to use. The activities created in one course were applied in the other and vice versa. For illustration, the rhythm orchestra instruments collected or made in the organization class were used by the technique class when they conducted their rhythm orchestra. The "pocket charts" were used to hold the sentence and phrase cards or the arithmetic combination cards.

Special programs for parents were planned in the following manner: When types of lessons were studied in the technique class the unit of work on "Old Ironsides" was used to illustrate them. At the conclusion of this division of the work a "test" on types of lessons was given in the form of a program for parents. The students of the other class acted as the parents. This further demonstrated Community Meetings as a direct means of informing parents and educating them to respond to the changing curriculum, -activity, freedom, creative activity and social activity; as well as the need for well chosen libraries and in short something with which to work. All laboratory periods were conducted in the above manner—singing songs for rural schools, actually playing in a rhythm orchestra with their own instruments, reading childrens' magazines or books with the purpose of qualifying for a Reading Circle Certificate.

From the participation in these activities and concrete facts concerning the possibilities of a rural school the students experienced the following—The new rural school aims "to develop all the different sides of the child so as to enable him to grow into a strong well balanced person-

ality."

The picture tells in a concrete way what was actually accomplished in the two classes. (One sample of each unit of work is shown in the picture.) Reading from left to right around the wall. A part of a graph made on a piece of muslin illustrating the results of an arithmetic test. Written on the blackboard is the result of a small piece of Research concerning the fundamental facts in arithmetic. Hanging underneath this is the "Exposed Answer" charts for forming bonds on the addition and subtraction facts. These are for the second grade children and therefore must be placed on the level with the eyes. A Flag mounted properly for inside use which may be raised and lowered. The library shelves containing the library classified by the Dewey Decimal System including the accession book seen on the desk; the box, sitting at the back of the desk, for the cards was made of a chalk box. "Old Ironsides" by Gordon Grant framed and hung by parallel wires flat against the well and on the level with the eyes. Underneath the picture is a bulletin board made of insulite costing five cents a square foot. It is used for the first grade children to display their creative art and free hand paper cutting. This bulletin board is hung by parallel cords so that the

children may move it from place to place in their room as the need demands. Next is the picture display frame for the art pictures to be taught during the school year. The large bulletin board made of insulite used here to display the silhouettes and five-pointed stars for the George Washington Bicentennial. In the direct foreground reading from left to right is the small easel and its chair for the C. and D. Class. The use of this may find the child artist in some rural school. A small "pocket chart" for the daily news corner to be hung by parallel cords underneath the blackboard. The large waste paper basket was made of a banana crate cut down and covered with cretonne. In front of this is a small desk "pocket chart" for difficult combinations. A case for the combination cards-100 addition, subtraction, and multiplication facts; and 90 division facts. To the right of the library desk is a unit of the rhythm orchestra instruments made of oatmeal boxes, sticks, horseshoes, tamborines, triangles made of iron rods, etc. A reading unit for the first grade and its accompaning phrase cards in the "pocket charts" at the right, is hung on one of the large easels. Easels may be used for many things in a rural school as shown on the next one. The moving picture machine in the center front was made of an apple crate. It is quite complete having three rollers and an automatic fastner and release for the reel. The reading unit for C. and D. Classes at the extreme right consisting of a table, chairs, small library shelves, magazine case, and waste paper basket was copied most of all. They were painted green. The lumber for the table 24" by 36" and 22" high costs 36¢. The chair was made of an orange crate, covered with a cretonne cushion and back rest. Another orange crate was transformed into the library shelves. The magazine case was made of the ends of the orange crate which were left after making the chairs. It took six ends to made the case.



AN ACCEPTABLE MINIMUM

W. W. Carpenter University of Missouri

THE RECENT SCHOOL legislation in Missouri may be considered the second milestone in our educational progress. The first milestone is the constitutional provision which declares that "A general diffusion of knowledge and intelligence being essential to the preservation of the rights and liberties of the people, the general assembly shall establish and maintain free public schools for the gratuitous instruction of all persons in this state between the ages of six and The constitution of Missouri twenty." elearly indicates our goal, equality of educational opportunity.

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Our recent school legislation places the ability and strength of the state squarely tehind the above proposition. By this legislation the state now guarantees equality of educational opportunity, up to an acceptable minimum, to every child in the state. It is the most significant school legislation ever passed by a Missouri legis-

lature. In our joy over our glorious victory, we must not lose sight of the fact that while our legislation is most significant and far reaching, yet it will guarantee equality of educational opportunity to the children of Missouri, only to the extent to which the acceptable minimum represents a desirable opportunity.

One measure of the desirability of an offering certainly is its cost. Other things being equal, a \$1900 teaching unit offers a more desirable opportunity to the pupil than does a \$1000 teaching unit. Equality of opportunity cannot be offered unless the cost allowed for a teaching unit is maintained at a level high enough to secure and retain well-qualified teachers. This, of course, is the responsibility of future Missouri legislatures.

The author of this paper was very much interested in the application of the new Missouri plan for financing schools to Hopetown, an imaginary situation in Missouri.1 The minimum offering guaranteed to Hopetown is represented by the follow-

	Hopetown, Missouri ²	
1.	Average daily attendance, pupils, grades 1-12	418
2.	Average daily attendance, pupils, grades 1-8	290
3.	Teaching units	10
4.	Corresponding minimum guarantee at \$750 per teaching unit	7500
5.	Average daily attendance, pupils, grades 9-12	128
6.	Teaching units	6
	Corresponding minimum guarantee at \$1000 per teaching unit	6000
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8. Total minimum guarantee for grades 1-12\$13500

In order to discover how the minimum offering in Missouri compares with another state which has a similar plan, but a larger allowance per teaching unit, it is assumed that there is also a Hopetown, New York, and that the enrollments for Hopetown, New York, are exactly the same as for Hopetown, Missouri. The minimum offering guaranteed to Hopetown, New York, is represented by the following:

Hopetown, New York³

grades 1-12	418
Average daily attendance, pupils,	
grades 1-8	290
Teaching units	10
Corresponding minimum guarantee	
at \$1500 per teaching unit1	5,000
Average daily attendance, pupils,	
	128
Corresponding minimum guarantee	
	9,500
	Average daily attendance, pupils, grades 1-12

8. Total minimum guarantee for grades 1-12\$24,500

If Hopetown, Missouri, were located in New York State, the cost of the minimum offering would be \$24,500 as compared to \$13,500 in Missouri. In other words, other things being equal, the minimum offering guaranteed to Hopetown, Missouri, is not acceptable in the State of New York.

A recent California magazine contains the proposed plan for California.4 If Hopetown, Missouri, were located in California,

School and Community, Vol. XVII (May, 1931), pp. 210-211.

The figures given are the totals cited by the article in the School and Community. The subject of transportation is not considered in these tables.
 Work Sheet, State Department of Education, New York State, 1929-1930.

under the proposed plan, it would have the same total enrollment in grades 1-12, but these would be distributed among the elementary school, the junior high school, and the senior high school. The minimum offering guaranteed to Hopetown, California would be as follows:

Tha would be as follows.
Hopetown, California Average daily attendance, pupils, grades 1-12
Average daily attendance, pupils, grades 1-6 240
Teaching units, grades 1-6 8
(a) Allowance at \$1700 per teaching unit
(c) Total allowance for 1-6 \$17,200
Average daily attendance, pupils, grades 7-9 100
(a) Allowance for maintaining a junior high school 4,000 (b) Allowance for average daily attendance

(c) Total allowance, grades 7-9 .. \$18,000

7.	Average	daily	attendance, pupils,	
				78
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If Hopetown, Missouri, were located in California under the proposed plan, the cost of the minimum offering would be \$56,580 as compared to \$24,500 in New York or \$13,500 in Missouri. Other things being equal, neither the minimum offering guaranteed to Hopetown, Missouri, or to Hopetown, New York, would be acceptable in the proposed California plan.

The Missouri plan will succeed to the extent that a desirable educational offering is made possible to every boy and girl in the state. The recent legislation will show us the way to reach this ideal.

 Swift, F. H. "A Plan for Public School Equalization Fund for California," Sierra Educational News, Vol. XXVII (January. 1931), pp. 19-20.

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A SHORT HISTORY OF BUREAU OF EDUCATION IN U. S.

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The necessity of some central office for the collection and study of educational statistics and data was early seen and appreciated by educators of the United States of America. Several attempts were made to interest Congress and the Federal Government in a national office of education, but the effort proved futile until the National Association of School Superintendents, at its yearly meeting in Washington, D. C., February 6-8, 1866, appointed a committee to memorialize Congress on the question.

On February 14, 1866, Representative James A. Garfield of Ohio, presented the memorial to the House of Representatives, together with a bill for the establishment of a Department of Education on practically the lines proposed by the School Superintendents. The Bill was passed by the Congress and was approved by the President March 3, 1867.

Cubberly tells us, "This established at the City of Washington a Department of Education—but without Cabinet rank—for the purpose of collecting such statutes and facts as shall show the condition and progress of education in the several States and Territories, and of diffusing such information regarding the organization, and management of schools and school systems, methods of teaching, as shall aid the people of the U. S. in the establishment and maintenance of efficient school systems and otherwise promote the cause of education throughout the country."

The Department of Education was continued as an "independent establishment" until July 1, 1869, when according to a provision in an act July 20, 1868, it was constituted an office or Bureau of Education in the Department of Interior.

The Bureau of Education is primarily an institution for educational research, and

promotion. The act creating it gave it no administrative duties, and the administrative duties that it possesses were subsequently assigned to it. The functions of the Bureau have been divided into four parts,—namely (1) Field Service, (2) Research and Investigation in Educational fields and special educational problems, (3) Educational surveys, and (4) Dissemination of Information.

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Let us look at each of these functions for a moment—(1) Service in the field by representatives of the Bureau includes lectures and addresses upon educational topics before teachers, students, women's clubs, business men's clubs, and other organizations interested in education, conducting and assisting in special conferences for the consideration of educational questions, visiting and conferring with school officers, and teachers for the purpose of procuring and imparting information, and participation in educational surveys at the request of the proper local authorities.

In more recent years grants of money have been made from the Federal Treasury for aid in certain specified forms of education. For example, each State and territory receives an annual sum of \$50,000 for instruction in certain specified subjects, namely; (1) Agriculture, (2) Mechanic Arts, (3) English Language, (4) Mathematical Science, (5) Natural Science, (6) Economic Science. These are given in colleges of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

More than \$7,000,000 is distributed annually to the States to aid them in the promotion of vocational education. Other large sums are granted annually for agricultural experimentation, and for practical instruction in agriculture and home economics of the farm population of the country.

In addition to the aid granted to the States and Territories the Federal government makes provision for the education of its wards by providing schools for the Indians located in the Western part of our country and for aboriginal races in Alaska. It maintains the military, naval, and coastal guard academies for the training of officers for its military and naval services, schools for continuing the education of such officers as well as enlisted men of its various services. It supports the

Library of Congress, The Smithsonian Institute of instruction and the National Museum, the National Zoological Park, National Botanic Gardens, the Columbia Institution for Deaf, Howard University for negroes, located at Washington.

The Bureau of Education of the U. S. spends in all for what may be deemed Educational purposes in a broad sense of the term about \$62,000,000 per year. The total budget of the Bureau is now somewhat over a million dollars. It employs 103 persons in the city of Washington, 255 persons in Alaska, Seattle, and Washington and one special agent in Tennessee. Those in Alaska are Superintendent of Schools, teachers, physicians, nurses, cooks, orderlies, captains, and crews on vessels.

The head of the Bureau is the Commissioner of Education who is appointed for an indefinite term by the President of the United States. During these 64 years from 1867 to 1931 there have been eight Commissioners of Education appointed in U. S. The average term of office has been nearly nine years. The Commissioners and term each served are as follows,

- 1. Barnard
 1867-70
 3 years term

 2. Easton
 1870-86
 16 years term

 3. Dawson
 1886-89
 3 years term

 4. Harris
 1889-1906
 17 years term
- 5. Brown 1906-1911 5 years term 6. Claxton 1911-1921 10 years term
- 6. Claxton 1911-1921 10 years term 7. Tigert 1921-1929 8 years term

8. John W. Cooper (in office) 1929-1931 2 years term

64 years, total

Our Commissioner of Education today is Dr. William John Cooper. He is the Educational officer who, according to his annual report, divides his work into two major parts; (1) collecting and broadcasting statistical information, and (2) carrying on work of research, surveys and administration.

The statistical service, which provides news and accurate reports of the whole range of educational activity in the country, from rural kindergartens to privately endowed universities, from city grade schools to adult education has attracted favorable attention from school officials and educators in all states.

The years from 1789 to 1860 constitutes essentially the formative period of our

national development. The Civil War resulted in the establishment of a unified nation. Although in this formation period the educational function of the Government was not generally recognized, it revealed itself in a variety of ways—in activities and modes incidental to normal political and, in particular, to administrative development. There was no degree of consciousness of any definite duties in the matter of caring for popular education. That was the concern of the various states. The function developed in neither logical nor a consistent fashion; it was exercised by a process of indirection.

Throughout its history Congress has held the "Office of Education" to a very minor position, with very limited functions and very meager support. While the Federal Government has undertaken many important scientific and educational services, Congress has from the first contrived that almost nothing originated under the direction of the Bureau of Education.

In conclusion, let me state the United States Bureau of Education was established in 1867 and is therefore 64 years old. It was created as a result of the demands from educators throughout the States for a central clearing house of educational information. The act of Congress providing for its establishment declared its duties as follows: "To collect statistics and facts showing the condition and progress of education in the several states and territories, and to diffuse such information respecting the organization and management of schools and school systems, and methods of teaching, as shall aid the people of the United States in the establishment and maintenance of efficient school systems, and otherwise promote the cause of education throughout the country." This is the charter of the Bureau. and shows that it was intended to be what it is, a fact finding and information giving organization on the subject of education. It has no administrative functions except such as have been assigned to it by the Secretary of the Interior in connection with the supervision of the expenditure of \$2,550,000 annually granted by the Congress to the several states and territories for the benefit of the colleges of agriculture and the mechanic arts, and in connection with the education, support medical relief of the aboriginal natives in the Territory of Alaska.

For purposes of administration the Bureau is origanized into the following di-

visions.

1. Division of Higher Education,

(a) Universities and colleges(b) Schools of Theology

(c) Law

- (d) Medicine
- (e) Dentistry
- (f) Pharmacy
- (g) Veterinary medicine
- (h) Engineering(i) Agriculture
- (j) Normal schools and Teacher's colleges
- 2. Division of Rural Education
- 3. City School Division
- 4. Division of Physical Education
- 5. The Service Division
 - (a) Adult Education
 - (b) Industrial Education
 - (c) Commercial Education
 - (d) Home economics
 - (e) Foreign education
 - (f) School legislation
- The Tiberes Disiries
- 6. The Library Division
- 7. The Statistical Division
- 8. The Editorial Division
- 9. The Alaskan Division
- 10. The Bureau of Indian affairs.



FINANCING PUBLIC EDUCATION

ADDRESS OF DR. A. ROSS HILL, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE UNI-VERSITY OF MISSOURI, DELIVERED AT THE SUMMER SESSION COMMENCEMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI FRI-DAY EVENING, JULY 31.

Previous to Civil War

I N COLONIAL TIMES, and to a slowly diminishing extent down to the close of the Civil War, free public education was only a dream of educational reformers. After the English tradition, it was considered the duty of the parents to finance the education of their own children. Teaching was one of the household industries.

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With the exception of the project for a National University, the subject of education was not mentioned in the debates over the Federal Constitution; thus education was left to the states as to control or support, if, indeed, they saw fit to do anything about it. We have noted of late a marked tendency to assert that education is a state function and to build theories of support and control on that assumption; but there would seem to be nothing inherent in the nature of education that would logically exclude it from the fostering care of the Federal Government, as in the Morrill Acts, Smith-Lever and Smith-Hughes Acts, etc., or excuse the local school district from its full share of responsibility in the support of elementary and secondary education.

It is interesting to note that the question of state control of education assumed importance before the responsibility for state support was fully recognized. This University, for instance, was under state control from its foundation, but for more than a quarter of a century it received no support from the state but had to rely on student fees and the generosity of Columbia and Boone County citizens. The experience of the University of Michigan closely parallels that of the University of Missouri in this respect. Yet public control and public support are naturally and intimately connected.

In this period before the Civil War, the most significant event for public education was the establishment in 1837 of the Massachusetts Board of Education and the appointment of Horace Mann as its Secre-

tary. Due largely to the agitation of Mann and a few contemporaries the charity school idea gradually yielded to the popular conviction in favor of free universal education. As E. E. Brown, in the Making of Our Middle Schools, remarks: "The demand for public education under public control was a rising tide and in time it affected institutions of every rank and grade. It was on this rising tide that new systems of elementary education came into being, and with them, borne on the same sweep of public opinion, came a new type of secondary school,-the public high school."

From Civil War to World War

FOLLOWING the Civil War came a period of great industrial activity. Manufacturing developed rapidly, railroads were built across the continent, and the west was opened up. Immigration reached a maximum. Cities grew rapidly and the United States changed from a rural to a predominantly urban nation.

The social and industrial changes involved took the school from the home and imposed new and enormous burdens upon the school as an institution and upon the teachers. The program of studies was expanded both by enrichment and by lengthening the period of public education. The school had to take the place of both the home and the shop. Scarcely did anyone dare to propose limits to its functions, to the demands upon it for adaptability to individual tastes and interests and for service to society.

Since the World War

CINCE the World War expansion of Dublic education has manifested itself particularly by increased attendance. especially in high schools and public institutions of higher learning,-state universities and teachers' colleges.

The cost of public education has been enormously increased thereby; and this increase, coming at a time when the cost of other forms of public service has mounted rapidly, has so increased total taxes that the public has become tax-conscious and a more critical attitude toward school costs has become the order of the day.

According to Professor Simeon D. Leland of the University of Chicago. "Since 1913, the year before the outbreak of the World War, our national wealth has increased 119 per cent; our national income 150 per cent; our taxes 349 per cent."

As indications of increasing tax consciousness on the part of the public, note:

(1) Of 43 state legislatures that met last winter, 32 were urged to make tax adjustments in the messages from their Governors, and 14 of them specifically stated that real estate is bearing an unfair share of the tax burden.

(2) Under the leadership of the American Farm Bureau Federation, 14 national groups united last winter (meeting in Chicago) in a conference and adopted a platform of tax modernization.

(3) Organization of property owners Division of National Association of Real Estate Boards.

The Education Finance Inquiry Commission found that from 1910 to 1920 the total cost of public education in the United States increased from 500,000,000 to 1,-250,000,000 (150%), more than during any former decade in the history of the country; and since 1920 many cities have bonded themselves to the highest possible debt limit for school buildings.

As an illustration of tax increases for schools and other governmental activities, in a typical city since 1920, let me take a residence in Kansas City, Missouri.

Total Property Tax 1920 ... \$737.77*
Total Property Tax 1930 ... 1219.31
School Tax 1920 ... 265.33
School Tax 1930 ... 496.80

As evidence of a more critical attitude toward school costs, a proposed bond issue of \$5,000,000 for school buildings in Kansas City, Missouri, failed in 1928, contrary to all precedents, partly, at least, because the School Board failed to take the people into their confidence as to details of expenditures planned. A year and a half later, \$5,000,000 were voted after full explanations had been given.

Yet from many quarters come reports of *NOTE: In 1920 the portion of the tax pa'd to the State was only \$36.74 and in 1930 only \$51.84.

inadequate support, of over-crowded class rooms, of heavy teaching schedules, of high schools that maintain part time schedules in unsanitary quarters, of inadequate support of state educational institutions, of tack of opportunities for research, etc., etc.

Faced with this situation, the tax-payer wonders whither we are drifting, and whether his faith in public education has been too blind. We who are interested in public education would be wise to enter sympathetically into the problem of the tax-payer.

Probably the most discussed single utterance on the rising cost of education is contained in the 1922 Annual Report of President Pritchett to the Trustees of the Carnegie Foundation. Some of President Pritchett's statements of fact challenge our attention:

(1) "The support of government absorbs an ever increasing share of the productive energy of each individual. That form of public service which has to do with education has shared in this movement. In some respects it has advanced more rapidly than other divisions of the public service."

Now the cost of public education has increased at practically the same rate as our national income but less than half as much as our total taxes, so the President's statement does not stand the test of analysis. In fact the percentage of total governmental expenditures devoted to education decreased from 17.6 per cent in 1910 to 11.8 per cent in 1920, the decade of greatest increase in school costs, a decrease of one-third; in the same period the percentage of state governmental expenditures devoted to public education decreased one-fifth. Only the percentage of local governmental expenditures devoted to public education increased by one-ninth.

Again President Pritchett remarks:

"The Ability of the public to support expensive forms of education has been sorely taxed."

This statement seems extreme when it is noticed that the increase in public expenditures for education parallels very closely the increase in the national income in spite of large increases in state support for secondary and higher education in most states, due to the great increase in enrollments in these institutions.

Furthermore, the nation spends almost

as much for candy as for public education; almost twice as much for tobacco, and the total national outlay for these and other luxuries is almost 17 times the cost of public education. So relatively speaking, the public is not "sorely taxed" to maintain education.

It is the opinion of President Pritchett that certain modern "educational theories have added most to the high cost of education."

The validity of this opinion seems questionable when one takes account of the following facts in educational costs:

Building costs:

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Before the War the LeFever Hall cost 19 1/2 c per cu. ft.;

During War Neff Hall cost 31c+ per cu. ft.; Just after War 1st unit Home Economics

Bldg. cost 51c per cu. ft.; Coal that cost \$3.50 per ton before the War went up to \$7.50 per ton.

Labor that cost less than \$3.00 a day went

up to \$6.60 in a decade.

On account of the depreciation of the dollar it was estimated by the Russell-Sage Foundation that the teachers of the country were "in a worse situation financially in 1920 than at any time since the Civil War period."

The increase in high school attendance, where it costs 21/2 times as much as in the elementary grades, was another significant factor in increasing costs. Altogether then so many factors tended toward an increase in the cost of education that it is not fair to blame very much of that increase on the enrichment of the program of studies. In fact, most of that enrichment had occurred before the World War and the consequent increase in costs of everything.

Why, then, do school costs seem so burdensome to the taxpayers? Probably because an increasing portion of our school revenues are raised from the property tax levied in local districts; 72 per cent in 1910; 83 per cent in 1920; more than 90 per cent in 1930. Also districts vary notoriously in their ability to provide revenue from this source.

The natural remedy for this situation is to impose a larger share of school expenses upon the state, thus making it possible to tap sources of revenue other than the property tax; and this was done for Missouri by the school bills passed by the last legislature to a degree that must seem

almost revolutionary to many who have followed educational movements in Missouri since its admission to statehood.

The first Constitution of Missouri, that of 1820, provided that "one school or more shall be established in each township, as soon as practicable, and necessary, where the poor shall be taught gratis." The charity school idea prevailed a hundred vears ago.

As late as 25 years ago when President Jesse and I, as Dean of the School of Education, were advocating state aid to weak school districts and state aid to high schools the State Superintendent of Schools of that day opposed the suggestion, declaring it contrary to the spirit of Missouri people who are naturally independent and proud and resent the suggestion that they need the aid of anybody in building up their schools.

In the latest legislation the local school district so far freed from responsibility for public education that for very many districts we cannot speak of state aid but of local aid in a state system of education. Public education is thus recognized as a state function in Missouri more fully, I believe, than in any other state. What was accidental at first in the framing of the Federal Constitution, has become the corner stone of Missouri's plan of financing public education.

Of course, this new school law is experimental and doubtless many changes will be found necessary before it is perfected to suit the educators and taxpayers alike; but there are certain features of it that call for a word of comment at this time.

In my judgment the most important and valuable feature of it is found in the provision for establishing a minimum standard of financial support for each elementary and high school unit everywhere in the State; but it is unfortunate that it does not recognize the State as the sole authority for issuance of teachers' certificates and impose higher minimum standards for teachers' qualifications. And the lowering of the minimum local tax rate to 20¢ on the \$100 assessed valuation as a condition of receiving such generous state aid tends to relieve the local citizen of due sense of responsibility for local schools and may tempt some districts to lower and hence

inequitable assessments.

Furthermore the inducements in the act toward enlargement of school districts seem quite inadequate and carry the possibility of perpetuating in some instances the present wasteful and extravagant rural

school district plan.

While considering local school taxes on property, let us note the state property tax for general revenue, the meager 5 cents on the \$100 of assessed valuation. This paid along with some county taxes, and in Kansas City and Jackson County, at any rate, the entire tax is known as the "State and County" tax to distinguish it from the City Tax. The result is that very few people know how low is the State Property Tax in Missouri. Only 5¢ on the \$100 for general revenue funds; just half the rate paid by the citizens of Nebraska for the support of their State University alone. Also one-half the rate paid for the University of Illinois. So confusing is this situation in the minds and attitude of Missouri citizens that I favor the abolition of this small 5¢ State Tax on property for general revenue and the establishing of some other form of taxation that would yield more to the State without the present misunderstanding.

In the report to the State Survey Commission, it is pointed out that while a general sales tax is "undesirable as well as difficult to administer, and while general luxury taxes cannot be enforced fairly, there are, however, three so-called luxury taxes which have been developed with great success in a number of states; namely: the tobacco tax, the beverage tax and the admissions tax," and it is claimed that these would yield approximately \$7,500,000 a year, or three times the amount yielded by

the 5¢ State Tax on property.

For some reason the Commission did not recommend the luxury taxes, but in urging a careful study and revision of the taxation system of Missouri the Commission did recommend that "this study include luxury taxes."

I would not suggest that the revenues derived from these luxury taxes be designated for the support of the higher educational institutions of the State, but call attention to the possibility that they may be needed by the general revenue fund of the State if, as seems possible, the new school bill makes such demands on state funds as to leave little available for institutions of

higher learning.

When we come to consider economies in government or public education the first things to occur to business men are "budgeting" and "uniform accounts." But budget laws, which help to balance revenues and expenditures, are not self-executing, and the only hope in uniform accounts is that they are audited, analyzed and made to answer questions which confront taxpayers. Usually they lead to few economies.

(For illustration of complications from budgeting schemes that magnify the value of accounting methods, note the cases of the College of Agriculture of Cornell and

the University of Texas).

Another favorite suggestion is "Con-'solidation' and "Elimination of Duplication." No doubt consolidation of school districts would effect important economies as would consolidation of other governmental units; we could for instance, get along today with one-third the number of counties that were needed in the horse and buggy age, at significant reduction in cost of local units of government. We have in Missouri 1080 rural school districts with an attendance of less than 10 pupils each; 2714 districts with less than 15; and 4656 with less than 20. This represents an astounding waste of money and a great loss in educational efficiency. The new school measures will undoubtedly go far toward the elimination of inefficiency in rural schools, but if they fail to bring about enlargement of districts, the greater educational efficiency will have been purchased at a high financial cost to the State at large; and from the past history of Missouri in consolidation matters, we may anticipate some trouble when movements are started to take away the "little red school house" from many a rural community.

In the field of high education the question is not so much one of consolidations and mergers, except for administrative unity and consistency, with some incidental savings in expenditures, but there is a real problem in duplication. This has little financial significance in Junior College

grades because each state educational institution has students enough in these grades to require the sectioning of classes; but there is considerable expensive duplication in the upper courses where the State University, at slight extra expense, could offer facilities for all Senior College and graduate students in the State.

False conceptions of democracy have prevented sufficient differentiation of function, in secondary schools especially, and there has been a tendency to leave the curriculum so flexible that a student can change his mind at any time and yet graduate without loss of time or change

of institution.

A heavy expense is involved in equipping and staffing every high school so that every student can get a superficial taste of every phase of secondary instruction or specialize in any subject of his choice. It involves making every high school a manual training high school, a commercial high school, a science high school, a classical high school, etc. Previous to the World War the most progressive educators in Germany though they wanted the Einheitschule like America but when they got control and had responsibility they changed their minds and stuck to the differentiated school, at least in principle.

This obsession for keeping the school adapted to changing impulses of students is partly responsible for our pyramiding of one school upon another (elementary school; Junior High School; Senior High School; Junior College and University) with consequent loss of continuity in intellectual development, waste of two years in mental growth, and corresponding loss

of taxpayers' money.

Having some connection with the notion that every state educational institution should offer instructions suited to the tastes of every student who presents himself, the experts employed by the State Survey Commission found that "less than one half of the students in the state owned teachers' colleges indicate the professional degree in education as their objective" and that 30% of the students enrolled are interested in some occupation other than teaching. The Commission's recommendations that only students planning to teach be admitted to these teachers' colleges; that only the pro-

fessional work be offered other than for the profession of teaching, etc., commended themselves to all readers of the report not influenced by institutional ambitions and not indifferent to the burdens of the tax-payer.

Then there is the fallacy of free tuition as inherent in the conception of public education. As already indicated, state control of education has not always meant complete state support. The question of student fees and the amount of them in the State University and State Teachers' Colleges depends on the funds appropriated by the Legislature and the financial resources of the students.

Sooner or later, and in my opinion sooner rather than later, state institutions of higher learning everywhere will have to face the problem of supplementing state support by reasonable tuition fees as a means of improving the facilities offered to students out of proportion to the amount of the fees.

Over-emphasis of members of students and courses is not uncommon in state educational institutions, due partly to general American trait. This increases expense and encourages false conceptions of educational values. Along with this generally goes the correlative emphasis on buildings and grounds.

Happily, this University has been remarkably free from these idols of the academic market place, and the economies forced upon it by meager appropriations have enforced a discipline on its administrative officers that has been generally wholesome in its effects upon their educational point of view, I have claimed that without question it is the strongest state university in America in proportion to its resources, and that taxpayers need only know its merits and its economical administration to plan for it generously and abundantly as the crowning glory of the commonwealth.

The oustanding merit of the University of Missouri for many years has been the quality of its faculty and this will be appreciated more fully as the years go by on the part of you who receive diplomas today. You will thus join with Kipling in the lines:

"And we all praise famous men Ancients of the College; For they taught us commonsense; Tried to teach us commonsense. Truth and God's own commonsense, Which is more than knowledge.

LIFE'S MOST LIQUID ASSET—HEALTH

By

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PHYSICAL IMPERFECTIONS and disease still play an unnecessarily large role among the factors which handicap our youth. For the last half century science has made rapid and tremendous strides in revealing causes of disease and methods of overcoming physical handicaps. However, notwithstanding the undeniable benefits awaiting those who might avail themselves of both curative and preventive medical measures, there is an altogether too widespread indifference on the part of many parents to assume responsibility for the health development of their children.

We may safely assume that much of the indifference to health is due to lack of information or unwillingness to learn, although the efforts during recent years, to present to the public authoritative information concerning health and disease have been manifold. In some fields these efforts have been productive of remarkable gains, in others little or no progress has

been apparent.

Health Is The Most Important Objective

Health is now placed above all other objectives in practically all school programs. The educational system is justified in its attitude toward health when one considers the extent and diversity of health impairments among the school population. It is reliably stated that 750 to 850 of every 1000 children on entrance to school have disease or defects of the teeth. This means that altogether too many children present. on entrance to school, evidence either of having had improper nutrition or some serious infection or of neglected dental care. Defective, diseased teeth are unsightly, insanitary and dangerous to health. The imperfections and ugly, irregular arrangement of the permanent teeth are too often due to the same causes which operated to produce defects and disease of the first set. It is not improbable that many cases of organic disease found in the men of military age during the draft examinations had their origin in bacterial seed sown through carious teeth of childhood.

Perfect Or Corrected Vision Is Essential To Good School Work

Visual defects among school children are seldom reported as less than 120 per 1000. Defective hearing is found in numbers varying from 10 to 100 per 1000 children. Such children are often dubbed as mental defectives and are thus unfairly stigmatized. Appropriate examinations to determine their acuity of vision and hearing and the application of correct remedial measures would in most instances restore these children to their proper place in competition with children of otherwise average physical and mental faculties.

Diseased Tonsils May Be Dangerous

Diseased tonsils constitute one of the most fruitful sources of possible permanent damage to children. From 70 to 250 school children per 1000 are found to have defective or diseased tonsils warranting removal. It appears that repeated sore throats, rheumatic fever, and cardiac diseases are frequently associated with diseased tonsils.

Underweight And Malnutrition Are Not Synonymous

Since weighing and measuring of school children has become a "rule of thumb" procedure in most school systems, the detection of actual undernourishment has, by this method, been very inaccurately accomplished; at times this practice followed blindly and rigidly has resulted in both injustice to individuals and failure to place nutrition teaching and practice in the schools on a proper basis. It is to be hoped that more accurate methods recently developed as a result of some modern scientific procedures will soon be simplified and made available for universal use. It is known that the age-height-weight tables do not always apply; many children who do not fit these tables may be enjoying splendid health. Until a more accurate measure of nutrition, as indicated by height and weight, shall have been provided it is urged that age-height-weight tables be used with great caution.

Thus, if space permitted, it would be possible to point out the incidence of all defects and diseases found in school children and to show to what extent the defects are correctible and the diseases are preventable.

School's Interest In Child's Health Is Justified

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In the face of all the evidence of these handicapping influences which must have varying retarding effects upon children during that period of greatest potential development, and the apparent indifference to the health of their children evidenced by many parents, the educational system is justified in assuming some interest in the school child's health and undertaking to bring about a greater parental responsibility for their children's welfare.

The medical profession and health officials have for years plead for physical and mental perfection for children about to enter upon their educational career. It has been stated repeatedly that defects and disease have a certain relationship to retardation. It should follow that if neglect of health does contribute to retardation such repeating of grades may add an undetermined economic burden to the school system. At present, however, we are without a scientific basis for assigning a definite cost to the school system of the retardation caused by physical defects and disease.

Health Of Child Is Essential In Preparation For Life's Work

If we feel urged to show a practical interest in the child's health for the sake of his scholastic attainments, we are justified in even a deeper concern in the child's physical preparation for life. After all the educational system is but an agency by which youth is introduced to some of the factors which are later to become helpful or deterrent influences in life.

From the first grade to the fourth year in high school there is a tremendous loss in school population. With this imperfect and incomplete preparation many of these children seek employment at once, urged by the mere necessities of living. Competition for the best jobs becomes very keen and those with delicate physique, poor health and no training in health habits, soon find themselves in the inevitable, vicious, circle of continued poor

health because of no money and unemployment because of ill health, become the heavy economic burden upon society.

Illness And Physical Defects Often Defeat Economic Independence

Were it possible to know the extent to which neglect of defects and disease during childhood interferes with social and economic independence during the productive years of life, our interest in the health of the child would doubtless be changed in degree rather than in nature.

Intensive Efforts Toward Health Perfection Should Be In Early Life

Therefore, since experience has shown that children about to enter school have a great variety of physical defects and diseases many of which are correctible and/or preventable and since it is known that a very large percentage of children who enter the first grade will never finish high school and since it appears that certain defects and diseases of childhood, if not corrected, arrested or prevented, may seriously interfere with the social and economic potential of the adult, therefore definite measures to improve the child's physique and health should be applied as early as possible.

Every possible effort of everyone concerned with the health of the child should be exerted to the end of convincing parents of their obligation to their children in this matter.

Health Is The Individual's Greatest Asset

Altogether too many of our youth seem to be content with a minimum of educational training, i. e. an attainment which falls below the full high school course. We should be deeply concerned lest these same youth develop a similar attitude toward nealth. It may be possible for an individual to "get by" with a meager school experience, since the world requires an abundance of workers for whom a college course is not necessary. But although an honest, respectable and comfortable living is possible of attainment without having had a college education, it is exceedingly difficult to provide a decent living and establish a financial reserve for the declining years without continued health.

Health, therefore, is a capital investment necessary to the efficient operation of every individual's life; this capital investment must be established early in life (the physique of parents and grandparents often enhances the value or detracts from the health assets of the infant); during the preschool and school life of the individual every ethical reasonable and scientific means should be used to protect and enhance this, the child's greatest asset—HEALTH.

THE SWING OF THE PENDULUM

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TEACHERS of yesterday who have continued to be students are discovering along with teachers of tomorrow divergent points of view in education that if applied will bring fundamental changes

in practise.

A byword of progressives is freedom. At every turn we come upon a new motion of just what freedom implies. On the one hand it is to all purposes synonymous with license. To give a child freedom means to permit him to do as he pleases guided only by the whims of the moment. Such a conception obviously means a program the opposite of yesterday's repression. On the other hand it may be that freedom is not necessarily the opposite of restraint but grows out of activity based upon a wide background of carefully guided experience and an intelligent appraisal of the present situation. Freedom in this sense is achieved as the culmination of a long period of development during which the teacher guides the child through activities that give him insight into the rich background of racial heritage to which he is heir. To repress means that the teacher will control; to give license means that the teacher will stand aside; to make way for freedom which is achieved, means that the teacher will guide. Evidently, each assumption necessitates practises that find no common ground.

Sketching the field we see yet another fascinating concept with which educators toy. It has been called *creativeness*. Modern progressives have made every attempt to foster this quality. In most cases it is believed to be an innate potentiality or capacity which flowers in varying degree, depending upon the amount of endowment and the condition of the en-

vironment. Creativeness implies for most educators in progressive schools the almost sacred ability of the human being to make or discover something new in his environment. The school system which fosters this elusive quality must place its faith in the child and give him freedom to develop his powers. On the other hand the school which has no belief in creativeness puts it aside and emphasizes the more mechanical aspects of habit formation. Somewhere between the position which denies creativeness and that which considers it an innate possession is a third position which considers the exhibition of such a quality the result of a wide background of contacts, of an environment rich in leads to new interests. Such a position does not call for unrestrain but careful guidance in order that environment may give the most desirable leads.

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Another concept which is now being discussed with renewed vigor because of certain developments in psychology and philosophy is that of thinking. Leading educators who place as the primary function of the school the development of thinking in this changing civilization insist that it is impossible to prepare students with ready made reactions and attitudes. New problems are continually coming to the front and a new generation will find it impossible to meet them in terms of old solutions. Each individual's conclusions must be the result of an intelligent appraisal of all factors in the new and problematic situation. Again there is a counter movement which considers thinking a rather useless concept. What actually happens, it is maintained, is that each individual reacts in terms of his past habits and thinking becomes simply his juggling of words as he talks to himself. It seems

that the wide divergence of these two theories when put into practise is evident. Belief in thinking means an educational program with vital problematic situations which grip the youngster. Belief in the superfluity of thinking means an education program with innumerable possibilities for habit formation.

Concerning these concepts and others equally fundamental teachers who are growing must take some position. Al-

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though the pendulum continues in motion teachers dare not be caught up in its swing until they have thought thru the basic principles underlying its movement, for thoughtless wavering means school practise without a philosophy. Perhaps a teacher's final position will be neither one extreme nor the other. It is within the province of educational theory to aid in formulating this view by presenting the issues between which the pendulum swings.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

As School Begins

By H. Addington Bruce

THE long vacation is at its end. From mountain and seaside resorts, from the broad expanses of the farm and the scant playgrounds of the city, the children have come trooping back to their schools. Children and teachers alike are now in process of readjusting themselves to classroom work. It is a trying process for both teachers and children; and for this, it must be added, the parents of the children are mostly to blame.

Summer Study

For one thing, parents are to blame because of their almost universal custom of requiring no intellectual effort, or almost no intellectual effort, from their children throughout the long vacation; of letting the children give themselves so completely to amusement as to acquire habits of mental indolence which make it hard for them to buckle down to study when school recpens. This is not saying that the long vacation should not be largely a playtime. One of its basic purposes is to provide increased opportunity for growth through play. But it does children no harm-it does them a great deal of good-if they are expected and tactfully induced to intermingle a little study with their play.

It is vitally important for parents to appreciate that the mind as well as the body grows soft and flabby if allowed to be inert for any length of time. Still worse, prolonged mental inertia, like prolonged bodily inertia, breeds distaste for effort. Then when effort is required—as it in-

evitably is for every child on the reopening of school—there is a resistance which interferes more or less seriously with the gaining of knowledge.

All teachers can bear witness to the truth of this from personal experience of the difficulties of September and October. It accounts for the demand now and again heard from educators for a remaking of the school year, so that there shall be no prolonged break in formal schooling. The demand is likely to remain unheeded. Yet the fact does remain that to permit children to be study-free for an entire summer vacation is to breed mental laziness and to hamper mental growth. That parent is wisely kind who takes pains to see that his or her little ones are not wholly mental idlers during the summer months.

It is not a question, though, of forcing children to learn something in the summer. It is a question of observing, and if necessary creating, personal interests that will stimulate the children to read and study of their own accord—it may be geography, it may be history, it may be literature, it may be science, it may be the beauties and marvels of nature.

The range of subjects is as wide as the range of mental activity. For all these subjects there are books adapted to children's comprehension. And once a child becomes an eager reader of any kind of knowledge-imparting, curiosity-satisfying books, he possesses a sure antidote to the mentally disorganizing effects which teachers so fre-

quently have reason to attribute to the

long vacation.

Unhappily this course, the ideal course, is the course which only the exceptional parent today takes. That is one reason why so many children find it hard to readjust and study to good purpose when school reopens. Another, and no less important reason, affecting not only children's readjustment but their progress through the school year, is the fact that, once school has reopened, many parents act as if the whole responsibility for their children's success in school rested with their children's teachers. This is an attitude no less unfair to the children themselves than to the teachers.

Parents Often Handicap the Teachers

For the actuality is that unless, all through the school year, parents heartily and definitely cooperate with teachers, it is impossible for the latter to do their full duty by the children in their charge. The so-called inefficiency of the schools, of which we have been hearing more with every passing year, is largely, if not mainly, due to lack of parental cooperation.

Children, for example, cannot study to good purpose unless their physical health is safeguarded in the home. Any doctor can tell a parent what ought to be done in the matter of diet, clothing, sleep, and health habits in general, to keep a child physically fit for school work. Yet again and again we find parents who give virtually no thought

to this.

They dress their children unhygienically, let them eat indigestible food, perhaps give them too much or too little food, let them sleep in badly ventilated rooms. Instead of taking care not to over-excite their nervous systems, they continually keep the children under one kind or another of nervous stress.

Just before the close of school this spring I called on a friend whose small boy was,

I found, doing home work to the accompaniment of radio entertainers. My amazed protest met with the explanation that the racket of the radio forced the boy really to concentrate, hence to study better. On that theory the radio should be in constant operation in every schoolroom. Alas! The poor boy's marks at the June examinations indicated that he actually had been concentrating, not so much on his lessons, as on the barkings of the radio's jazz artists and alleged funny men.

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In many, many homes not only is the radio kept ceaselessly in operation, but the whole life of the household is one of feverish rush and restlessness. There is no repose, little self-control. And the children of the family are allowed to stay up later than they should, even permitted to go at night to the theatre or the movies. Such conditions do not make for physical fitness; and they have a directly harmful effect on the mentality by causing the children exposed to them to become unduly interested in things which, acting as distractions, most certainly weaken their interest in study and their ability to pay attention to their lessons.

For that matter, unless parents set their children a good example of sincere and intelligent interest in worthwhile things, industrious activity, and a sound morality, the developmental power of the school is necessarily lowered. For children, consciously or unconsciously, will take their parents as their models, and behave much as the parents behave. There is a world of truth in the reflection of the sagacious Karl Witte, "Our children are what we are. When we are good, they are good. They become kind, honest, industrious, and amiable, in proportion as we are kind, honest, industrious, and amiable."

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TOUCHSTONES

By RUTH E. NORRIS

A N EMINENT ESSAYIST recently wrote, "I do not propose to sacrifice my intellectual health for the sake of another man's art. My mind may not be of the first order, but it is the only one I have and I can't afford to sacrifice it." Who of us gentle readers is not confronted with the task of winnowing the grain from the chaff in order that we may read with satisfaction and discrimination to ourselves? Should we not, however, be more fair and admit that the problem exists in the failure to develop discriminating reading tastes?

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While reports from reputable library centers bear testimony that the American reading public is increasing at a steady rate, do these same reports furnish evidence that the followers of the printed page are consciously balancing the kind and amount of their reading? Are we, as teachers, adept in this art? The weight of evidence

seems to negate the answer. As teachers, we pride ourselves in our training to launch problems, or more appropriately (permit them to arise out of the experiences of the children), set up objectives, stake goals, set up criteria for evaluating teaching procedures, and construct devices for picturing individual and class progress; how much effort do we exert in setting up new and improved programs for our own advancement in a single activity, that of our reading? How often do we argue with ourselves after a session in summer school, "I am so fed up on old dry readings in psychology (any of the fiftyseven varieties) or the maladjusted child that I'm staying shy of writings on those subjects. I'm going to read plenty of peppy stories for awhile." If this picture is overdrawn, then teachers are being unjustly criticized for their "luke warm" attitudes toward their work as well as their limp hold on the situation; if the picture is true, and it must be, in part at least, for

surely all our critics can't be wrong.

No teacher, even one who has only a fair
degree of professional pride, will be in-

jured by checking himself by the simple test set by Henry Van Dyke:

Read the preface to a book; go in at the front door.

Read one book at a time, but never one book alone. Well-worn books always have relatives. Follow them up.

Read the old books, those that have stood the test of time; one for every two recent ones. They will help you discriminate among the new ones.

Read plenty of books about people and things; but not too many books about books.

Read again the ten best books that you have already read. The result of this experiment will test your taste, and fit you for progress in the art of reading.

One is surprised to see how readily a reading diary reveals major trends in his contacts in the fields of biography, travel, science, fiction, or religion. The well-read person is one who experiences genuine pleasure in consorting with great minds; their writings readily become his touchstones. Through reading and study he has found the thrilling spectacle presented by Orion in a winter's sky; he has bowed in reverence with Dr. Grenfel in his ministry among the humble fisher-folk of the Labrador coast; he has stood on the rim of a high pitched lake in the Rockies and spied the fringed gentian with Enos Mills; he has watched the big grizzly cut his mark on the trees, thereby declaring his sovereignty of the region; he has come to know that Mary Antin's Promised Land is a message and not a myth; he has found true pictures of pioneer life in America revealed in Willa Cather's My Antonia. Hamlin Garland's Son of the Middle Border, as well as a more recent one, Bess Streeter Aldrich, A Lantern in Her Hand, pictures so vivid, so gripping, one is awed by the striking portrayal of dauntless conquerors of the virgin soil of our Middle West.

Those of us who have permitted ourselves to be lulled to sleep by the insidious poison of some ink bottles need to be roused from our lethargy and shaken loose from our moorings by crisp, challenging articles in our current periodicals by alert, and astute thinkers as Will Durant, John Dewey, Robert A. Millikan, Bertrand Russel, James

Crothers, Samuel McCord,—"Social Survey of Literary Slums"; Atlantic Monthly, September, 1927.

Truslow Adams, and not infrequently the indispensable H. L. Menken. In the degree that we become saturated with a desire for newer and better intellectual equipment, in like manner will we be able to make our classrooms alive with interesting situations.

Helen Keller aptly strikes a resonant chord in her fitting statement, "Great poetry, whether written in Greek or English, needs no other interpreter than a responsive heart." The responsive heart must of necessity be that of the guide, the leader, none other than the teacher. Are we returning to our classrooms with larger visions, a more genuine thrill in the task that lies ahead, and more responsive hearts? Are we returning from travel, from summer sessions, from rest in quiet places with a greater inspiration to participate in the mighty undertaking that September ushers into motion? Surely, one worthy the name of teacher can do no less.

STUTTERING AND LEFTHANDEDNESS

The Teacher's Attitude Toward the Left Handed Child by

Dorothy Mellen Woldstad

THE CASE HISTORIES here presented, selected from our work in the public schools of St. Louis, illustrate the presence of the left handed factor which seems to play a definite part as a causative element in the etiology of stuttering.

The child whose life is made miserable by the inability to make a social adjustment through the medium of successful speech deserves our most careful study. Any preventive measure which may seem to be indicated is eagerly welcomed by every serious worker in the field.

These cases are not offered in proof of a theory. They are intended to give to the public school teacher an indication of the possible danger in her well meant attempt to make a right handed child out of a left handed one.

The break in the rhythm of speech which may follow as a result of the shift in handedness is a far greater handicap than the handicap of going through life left handed. A speech defect is an economic and social handicap. Being left handed is an inconvenience which may be met and dominated by the individual.

Every teacher knows of individuals in which the shift from left to right hand was successfully made with no apparent injurious effect to the individual. The emphasis should be placed upon the word apparent. The nature of the injury may not be obvious. It may occur in the instability of the nervous system and not register in speech. There are, of course,

those individuals who are strong enough in their cerebral centers to be able to stand the strain.

Case I Alice J. Age 14 High School, Freshman Year, I. Q. 108

I. Family History:
Father and mother born in America. Paternal and maternal parents born in Germany.
Paternal uncle believed to be left handed. No history of stuttering in the family. Speech of father and mother characterized by slowness partially due to unfamiliarity with English language. One sister with defective vision, unable to attend school. The father is a mechanic in a garage at a weekly salary of twenty-five dollars.

II. Personal History: A. Developmental—

Patient has one sister a year older. Mother was about twenty-four at birth of patient. Normal birth. Speech began with words when about a year and half old. Walked when ten months old.

B. Childhood—
When a baby, her earliest attempts to reach and grasp were made with the left hand. The usual infantile activities, holding and shaking a rattle, feeding herself, playing with a ball, were carried on through the use of the left hand. No attempt was made by mother or father to make her right handed.

Educational

She has completed the first year of high school. Started school at six in the first grade. Gets along well in all subjects; drawing and sewing are her favorites. English the most difficult. It is her ambition to become a designer of women's clothes.

Through her first three years of school her teachers tried to make her right handed. At the end of the third grade, she was considered successfully changed. In the fourth grade she started to stutter and has continued ever since. St. Vitus dance followed onset of stutering. Stutter continued after recovery from St. Vitus dance. She has done all of her

writing with her right hand throughout her school years. Her drawing and fine sewing she has always done with her left hand.

When eight years old she had whooping cough, measles a year later, and jaundice at thirteen. St. Vitus dance when in fourth grade—about ten years old; stayed in bed

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Attractive child with inward tension marked by outward calm. Overly conscientious in all duties, over anxiety and fear expressed in thin, weak voice. Careless of physical hygiene; was eating no breakfast and very little luncheon when first interviewed. First real food of the day taken when she returned from high school at three o'clock. Was drinking no water.

Immediate program was set up of breakfast each morning, six glasses of water a day, and nap when she got home at three o'clock. This was faithfully carried out through the

remainder of the year.

Intelligence Examination. Binet I. Q. 108. Physical examination-patient reported examination by family doctor with no physical findings.

Speech Examination

In free conversation, the child presents continued initial and medial repetitions, but no complete blocks occur.

There are no facial movements, no sucking, swallowing, or gasping movements. She stut-ters frequently in reading aloud. In silent

reading, no movements occur.

The patient responded to tests for handedness: simultaneous writing, mirror reading and writing, and ocular dominance as a left handed individual. In response to the remark, "You seem to be a left handed child," she replied, "Why of course I am!" And then followed the story of the early struggle.

Therapy for every speech case must always be physical hygiene, mental hygiene and speech training combined in cases of this kind

with the treatment for handedness.

A definite program of physical hygiene was necessary here which was faithfully observed. Continuous mental hygiene for a release of the anxiety and fear and adjustment to the school situation was carried on. Writing tasks were set up accompanied by speech, involving movement in the hand and leg; the shift from right to left was made quite complete with a definite improvement in speech already apparent.

Case II John M. Age 12 7th Grade I. Q. 112

I. Family History:

Father and mother born in Ukrainia. Dual language situation in home. Father painter. Broken English spoken by both mother and father but no abnormalities in speech of either. Sister R-15 and S- at present no physical or mental deviation.

II. Personal History: A. Developmental-

Normal birth, learned to talk at 10 months, walked several months later. Completely left handed from earliest grasp and gesture. Parents attempted to make shift. Unsuccessful, they gave up the attempt. A second attempt made in kindergarten through most of the Upon entering the first grade, the child vear. used his left hand and no further attempt to shift was made. At present he writes, eats, shoots marbles, bats and fights with his left hand. Stutter occurred after starting first grade.

B. Educational-

Twelve years old in the seventh grade, he is very small and slender for his years. best subject is History, his poorest subject He makes good progress in studies but his extreme tension keeps him in a state of continued activity in the schoolroom which presents something of a behavior problem to the teacher.

C. Medical-

Essentially negative. D. Personality

He has developed an aggressiveness as a defense mechanism that makes him rather unpopular with other boys. He is tense, easily irritated and angered, and frequently in trouble of one kind or another.

On the inside he is a lovable, sensitive spirit, easily approached and influenced, but seemingly a victim of his own nerve tension.

Physical Examination No significant findings. Intelligence Binet I. Q. 112.

Speech Examination

In free convensation a moderate stutter occurs accompanied by no uncontrolled move-ment of face or body. When in the first grade his speech completely blocked; he has im-proved gradually since then. At the present time, he indicates a complete future re-

Treatment in this case was again mental hygiene, physical hygiene, and speech training. Outstandingly important was the necessity for relaxation; the understanding of his own personality problems and the complete uninterrupted use of his preferential hand. Case III Richard 17 years old I. Q.

Personal History The patient has a brother 14 and sister 12. Both have no apparent abnormalities. Father died when Richard was four years old; stepfather at age of seven.

Childhood

Richard played vigorously out of doors, associating with boys his own age, until the age of seven. (See medical.) Ate and slept well. Educational

Repeated kindergarten, half of first and

half of second grades.
Intelligence—72 in Stanford-Binet.

Whooping cough, measles and chicken pox in early infancy. Flu when seven years old followed by what was diagnosed as infantile paralysis which left incapacitated his entire right side. Activity came back into log, though it still drags. Arm continued to be

helpless, necessitating the shift to the left hand for writing. For three years, of his own volition, he developed writing with his left hand to quite a fair degree of success. About five years after the shift was made, he developed a mild stutter which has increased slightly.

Personality

Attractive, appealing, likeable boy. Not superior in mental alertness, but well adjusted to his physical difficulty and, in his humble way, mak business of living. making a real success of this

Treatment

Because of the inability to use the right hand, certain activities were continued. Writing and drawing were discontinued, but typewriting was substituted. Arithmetic was also carried on with the left hand.

A slight improvement with no marked de-

gree of success has been observed.

Various Theories Advanced

In our present state of knowledge, the causative factor in stuttering is still something of a mystery. There are many theories and several of these schools of thought are represented in the American Society for the Study of Speech Disorders. It is plain that our ignorance of the etiology of stuttering is still profound.

That something can be done for the stutterer is a known fact. Successful results have been obtained from the various methods; breath control, vasualization or the concentration on mental speech, psychological analysis, physical hygiene, and

the consideration of handedness.

Through several years of work in this field, it is my conviction that we must be more interested in treatment than in etiology, and in order to treat wisely, we must be familiar with every successful practice known to the field.

The Emotional Factor in Stuttering

No one working with stutterers can fail to appreciate the emotional maladjustment which is so frequently present. The excceding sensitiveness and frequent presence of inferiority feeling, the many mental conflicts that manifest themselves in speech cannot be treated without being thoroughly embued with the mental hygiene viewpoint.

Speech is, with every normal person, the outward expression of the inward feeling. Every emotion reflects itself in the voice. Anger, fear, love, indifference register in the tone quality and tempo of the voice. It is, then, easy to understand how deep seated conflicts may upset the rhythm of speech to a greater degree.

It is necessary to analyze the nature of the conflict through the study of the child's environment, and his complete

program of living.

That there is no weakness in the speech mechanism is evidenced in the fact that a stutterer may speak easily to his companions and be unable to speak to his teacher. Some stutter only on the playground; others only in the home. The emotional factor cannot be overlooked in the stuttering child.

Handedness Theory in Stuttering

That left handedness, when interfered with, may give rise to conflict between the two cerebral hemispheres and act as a factor in stuttering has been indicated.

About twelve years ago, Dr. Smiley Blanton showed that about 12% of stutterers were or had been left handed, while the usual percentage of left handedness among individuals with normal speech is not much over 4%. Practically every worker in the field of speech pathology has corroborated this conclusion.

In Ballard's Handwork as an Educational Medium, published some fifteen years ago, the relation of stuttering to

handedness is stressed.

One of the most extensive recent works in this field has been done at the University of Iowa by Dr. Orton and Dr. Travis.

The brain center being located on the opposite side of the brain from the preferential hand and no known structural reason existing for our using the right hand more than the left, it is small wonder that some individuals grow up to be left handed with the speech center on the right instead of the left side of the brain as is the case with most individuals.

Many of the individuals who are left handed have no speech difficulty. Considering, however, that 12% of those who stutter are or have been left handed and only 4% of the individuals with normal speech have a history of left handedness, we cannot ignore left handedness in considering the etiology or treatment of stut-

We have not come across any piece of research which indicates that the four pawed animals are predominately right pawed.

We are inclined to believe that, in our presumably higher strata in the evolutionary scale, our addiction to right handedness is an educated one. When a child is given a rattle, it is placed in his right hand and he is taught to shake it with that hand. If he uses his left, his mother takes it away and places it in the right hand. With his automatic grasp, he takes it in his right hand and through trial and error, he soon learns that this is the hand which he must use.

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ur uWhen he begins to use a spoon, he learns that it should be held in the right hand. Imitation of adults is also an influence. Some children grow to school age using the left hand for all the ordinary acts for which other children use the right hand. This child may learn to write with his right hand without undue pressure simply because other children are doing it that way. If this happens, all is well.

The Danger in the Shift

Should the child, however, show a definite preference for his left hand, or should he develop signs of emotional distress when suggestions are made favoring the right, no wise teacher will continue her effort. The damage she may do is too great to offset any possible good. Whether the hand preference is inherited or educated, it is too late to make a change when the child has reached school age. An inversion of mental images takes place, a child will read y for h and b for d. Frequently reading disabilities occur in children of superior intelligence.

Knowing, as we do, that among those who stutter there are 8% more left handed people than among those with normal speech, we must handle the speech problem of the left handed child with great care. In other words, a child with a history of left handedness who comes to school with a definite preference for his left hand is a potential stutterer. Any attempt to change him is a dangerous business in which no teacher can afford to take a chance.

We say this with the realization that a speech handicap is a far greater handicap than that of left handedness.

The "south pawed" individual may become a world famous batter like Babe Ruth, one of the greatest pitchers of the country as is Robert Grove the left handed pitcher of the Philadelphia team, a national tennis champion like John Doeg, or a James A. Garfield the twentieth president of the United States.

If a child is sensitive about being left handed and therefore not like other children, he should be told about the successful ones. Just as one must adjust to the height of the body or the color of the skin, so children can be schooled to become perfectly content with a left handed handicap.

Treatment for all stutterers, left and right handed, must always include mental hygiene, physical hygiene and speech training.

The home environment, the school situation, the playground activity must be studied to find out if the child is thwarted in his efforts at self realization. If he is given feelings of inferiority because of his divergence from normal, he must be developed along the line of the thing he does well, and taught the gospel of acceptance.

We who are speech workers hope that through mental hygiene, physical hygiene, and speech training, together with the wise understanding and guidance of the home and the school, we may prevent and, if possible, eventually eradicate the speech difficulties of little children. As President Hoover so well expressed, at the White House Conference, "it is our duty and our privilege to lighten the burdens of little children, to help place their feet upon firmer paths to health and well being happiness; They are the wholesomest part of the race for they are the freshest from the Hand of God."



STATE PUPILS READING CIRCLE

HE ORGANIZATION, requirements and standards for the State Pupils Reading Circle are given in Courses of Study for Elementary Schools, pp. 534-536. This is an organization for more efficient reading in many fields. The list from which books may be chosen this year are given here. It is suggested that teachers file this list for future reference. These books should be ordered from E. M. Carter. Sec., State Pupils Reading Circle, State Teachers Association, Columbia, Mo.

GRADE I I Literary Readers

Read any 4 literary readers suitable for grade one in addition to the adopted texts.

II Stories and Rhymes

Read any 6.

The Golden Goose Book, Brooke
Johnny Crow's Garden, Brooke
The Poppy-Seed Cakes, Clark
The Chicken World, Smith
The Country Book, Smith
The Farm Book, Smith
The Farm Book, Smith
The Seashore Book, Smith
Goose, Cowles
Children of Mother Goose, Cowles
Cotton-Tail First Reader, Smith
Cotton-Tails in Toyland, Smith
Doll Land Stories, Byington
The Fairy Primer, Banta
Little Black Sambo, Bannerman
The Singing Farmer, Tippett
The F-U-N Book, LaRue
Tale of Peter Rabbit, Potter
Adventures in Story Land, Taylor
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Kellogg Work-A-Day Doings, Serl and Evans Work-A-Day Doings on the Farm,

The Story-A-Day Book, Holt My Reading Book, Youngquist and Washburn

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Marigold Garden, Greenway
Bible Story Reader, Book I, Faris
An Airplane Ride, Read
An Engine's Story, Read
A Story About Boats, Read
At Grandfather's Farm, Read At Grandfather's Farm, Read Billy's Letter, Read Jip and the Firemen, Read Mary and the Policeman, Read Mr. Brown's Grocery Store, Read Stories of the Red Children, Brooks—Educ. Pub. Co.

'The Sandman; His Farm Stories, Hopkins—Page.

'Chimney Corner Stories, Hutchinson—Minton
'Rhymes and Stories, Lansing—Gins
'Sing-Song, A Nursery Rhyme Book, Rossetti—Macmillan
The Little Black Hen, Deihl Kitten Kat, Dearborn

Kitten Kat, Dearborn Bible Stories to Read, Moore Rhymes from Mother Goose, Welsh Betty and Jack, Lisson-Thonet-

Meador
Helen and Bob, Thonet-Meador
The Magic Boat, Wright
Gray Kitten and Her Friends, Hall
Read It Yourself Stories, Harris and

Tales from Story Town, Ashton Indian Life Series—Little Eagle,

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Nature Activity Readers, Book I,
Edwards and Sherman
Storyland, Book I, Kinscella
Little Farmers, Hardy and Hecox Betty's Letters, Hardy and Hecox

Peggy Goes Riding, Hardy and Hecox

Fire, Hardy and Hecox

GRADE II GRADE II
I Literary Readers
Read any 4 literary readers suitable for grade two in addition to
the adopted text.
II Stories and Rhymes
Read any 6.
Tom Thumb, Perrault
The Peter Back Liekson

Tom Thumb, Perrault
The Peter Patter Book, Jackson
The Tale of Benjamin Bunny, Pot-

The Tale of Jerima Puddleduck, Pot-The Story of Squirrel Nutkins, Pot-

Bobby and Betty at Home, Dopp Bobby and Betty at Play, Dopp Bobby and Betty in the Country,

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Cock, the Mouse, and the Little Red Hen, LeFevre Dutch Twins, Perkins Hiawatha Primer, Holbrook In Fableland, Serl Jack O'Health and Peg O'Joy, Her-

Jingle Primer, Browne
The Kelpies, Blaisdell
Little Wooden Doll, Bianco Lattie Wooden Doll, Blanco Bunny Rabbit's Dairy, Blaisdell Wag and Puff, Hardy Under the Story Tree, LaRue Story Folk, Suhrie and Gee The Squirrel Tree, McElroy McElroy and

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Baby Animals, Troxell and Dunn Little World Children, Scantlebury Fun at Sunnyside Farm, Minor Story Fun, Suhrie and Gee Nan and Ned in Holland, Olmstead and Grant

and Grant
Six Nursery Classics, O'Shea
The Golden Trumpets, Thompson
Nature Studies for Children, Book
I, Albright and Hall
Boy Blue and His Friends, Blaisdell
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Adventures Frog, Burgess Stories of the Seminoles, Fairlie Betty June and Her Friends, 1 ingwood

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Pammy and His Friends, Troxell
Nursery Tales from Many Lands,
Skinner & Skinner,
Bible Story, Book II, Faris
*The Tortoise and the Geese, Bid-

pol—Houghton
*Clever Bill, Nicholson—Doubleday
*Rice to Rice Pudding, Smalley—

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*Peter-Pea, Grishina Givago—Stokes *Karl's Journey to the Moon, Maja Lindberg—Harper *The House at Pooh Corner, Milne

*The House *Fairy Tales, Perrault—Dutton
*Orchard and Meadow, Meyer-

Little *Little Blacknose, Swift-Harcourt *Skitter Cat, Youmans-Bobbs Jesus and the Children, Smither Billy Gene and His Friends, Lynch Peter's Wonderful Adventure

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Tambalo, Lide and Alison
Fleetfoot, The Cave Boy, Nida
The Tree Boys, Nida
Citizenship Readers, Schools Days,
Ringer and Downie
The Farm Book, Smith
Peter and Polly in Autumn, Lucia
Peter and Polly in Spring, Lucia
Peter and Polly in Winter, Lucia
Busy Carpenters, Tippett
Playtime Stories, Dunlop and Jones
Alice and Billy, Lisson and Meador
Tatters, McElroy and Younge
Better Living for Little Americans,
Lawson

Lawson The Snow Children, Walker The Snow Children, Walker
Having Fun, Wright
The Dutch Mother Goose, King
Christopher Robin Story Book, Milne
Fall of the Fairy Prince, McElroy
Nature Activity Readers, Book II,
Edwards and Sherman
The Man in the Drum and Other
Stories, Kinscella

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Peter and Polly in Autumn, Lucia
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Peter and Polly in Summer, Lucia
Peter and Polly in Winter, Lucia
Pig Brother and Other Fables, Pig Broth Richards

Poems for Reading and Memoris-ing, Grade III Mother West Wind's Children, Bur-

gress. Merry Animal Tales, Bigham The Poetry, Book III, Huber, Brun-

The Poetry, Book III, Huber, Brusser, Curry
Literature for Reading and Memorization, Book III, Tucker
Kipwillie, Krapp
Adventures of a Brownie, Mulock
Adventures of Reddy Fox, Burgess
East O' the Sun and West O' the
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Peter Pan and Wendy for Boys and
Girls, Barrie
Tiny Tail and Other
drew, Beston, Hale
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the Princess of the Dwarfs,

France
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The Billy Bang Book, LaRue
Peter's Wonderful Adventure, Mur-

phy
Now We Are Six, Milne
The Climbing Twins and Other
Stories, Clark
Silver Pennies, Thompson
Adventures of Chippy Bobby, Batch-

elder. Bad Little Rabbit, Bigham *I Go A-Traveling, Tippett—Harber
*I Live in a City, Tippett—Harber
Peter Pan, Barrie (Perkins)
The Curious Car, Craig
The Spindle Tree, Herbertson
The Happy Road, Lisson and Grant Real Life Reader-New Stories and Old, Martin
Powder Puff, Peterson
Willie Fox's Diary, Hilkene and

Winie Fox a
Gugle
Fun on the Farm, Minor
II History and Biography
Read any 3.
How the Indians Lived, Dearborn
rive Little Strangers, how They
Came to Live in America,
History, Book of American History,

Blaisdell, Ball
The Cave Twins, Perkins
The Tree Dwellers, Dopp
Viking Tales, Hall
The Cave Boy of the Stone Age, Dopp Indian Folk, Deming Stories of Great Americans for Lit-tle Americans, Eggleston Fifty Famous Stories Retold, Bald-

Stories of American Pioneers, Heard, King *Little Girl of Long Ago, White— Stories Houghton *Tales from Far and Near, Terry-

Mocassined Feet, Wolfschlager
Taming the Animals, Nida
HI Geography and Travel
Read any 3.
Japanese Twins, Perkins
First Lessons in Geography, Knowl-

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Around the World with the Children, Carpenter
Belgian Twins, Perkins
Child Life in Many Lands, Book I,
Fairgrieve—Young
Geography for Beginners, Shepherd
How We Are Clothed, Chamberlain
How We Are Fed, Chamberlain
Wretched Fles, A Chinese Boy
Dutch Twins, Perkins
Old Mother West Wind, Burgess
Little World Children, Scantlebury
How Other Children Live, Perdue
Little Phillippe of Belgium, Brandeis

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IV Nature, Science and Invention
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Animal Land Children, Flora
At the Zoo, Lewis
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Walker In the Open Air, Dorland
In Field and Pasture, Dutton
Jack O'Health and Peg O'Joy, Herben

Science Reader, Animal Life, Book I. Nida Nature Stories for Children—Autumn, Allbright, Hall
Nature Stories for Children—
Spring, Gordon and Hall
By the Roadside, Dunn and Troxell
In Field and Forest, Dunn and

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The First Boek of Birds, Miller
Chats in the Zoo, Weimer, Jones
Children of Our Wilds, Villinger
Adventure of Bob White, Bigham
V Art, Music, Civics, Morals,
Customs
Read any 1.
Stories Pictures Tell, Book III, Carpenter

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Why We Celebrate Our Holidays,
Curtis

Bible Story Reader, Grade III Browne's Health Book, Moulton Great Pictures and Their Stories, Lester Stories (Community Life). New Stories
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Nixie Bunny in Manners Land,

Nixie Bunny in Workaday Land, Nixie Bunny III.
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Granny's Wonderful Chair, Brown
Citizenship Readers, The Good Citiens Club, Ringer and Downie
Folk Stories from Many Lands,

GRADE IV

I Literature and Fiction

Read any 5.
lice's Adventure in Wonderland,
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Best Stories, Hardy
Early Candle Light Stories, Shetter
Green Fairy Book, Lang
Hawthorne's Wonder Book Jorli, Spyri Just So Stories, Kipling Pinocchio, Collodi Poetry, Book 1V, Huber, Bruner, Curry, Curry
Posy Ring, Wiggins & Smith
Really Truly Fairy Tales, Benson,
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When We Were Very Young, Milne
About Harriet, Hunt
Lionhearted Kitten and Other Stories, Bacon

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Literature for Reading and Memorization, Book IV. Tucker
Jataka Tales, Babbit
Reading and Living, Book I, HillLyman-Moore
Anton and Trini, Olcott
Pappina, A Little Italian Girl, Davis
Joan of Arc, Monvel
Fairy Tales, Grimm
Story Adventures, Suhrie and Gee
The Adventures of Buster Bear,
Burgess

The Blue Bird for Children, Maeter-

English Fairy Tales, Jacobs
The Happy Prince and Other Fairy
Tales, Jacobs
Granny's Wonderful Chair, Browne

In the Days of Giants, Brown
Fanton Farm, Krapp
A Dog of Flanders, Ramee
The Wee Scotch Piper, Brandeis
Swift Eagle of the Rio Grande, De Hutt Oregon Chief, Hudspeth The Little Swiss Wood Carver,

Brandeis *Golden Staircase, Chisholm, Put-DAM

II History and Biography

Read any 4.
Hero Stories, Tappan
American Explorers, Gordy
American History Stories, Vol. II, Pratt Pratt
American History Stories for Young
Readers, Tappan
America's Story for America's Children, Book III, Pratt
America's Story for America's Children, Book IV, Pratt
Camp and Trail in Early American
History Diskson

Camp and Trail in Early American History, Dickson Child's Book of American History, Blaisdell & Ball Heroes of the Nations, Alshouse History Reader for the Elementary Schools, Revised, Wilson

History Stories of Other Lands, Book I Shinkah, The Osage Indian, Barrett Indian Lodge Fire Stories, Linder-Pioneers of the Deep, Gravatt Viking Tales, Hall Stories of American Pion Viking Tales, Hall
Stories of American Pioneers,
Heard, King
Old Greek Stories, Baldwin
Indian Folk Tales, Nixon, Roulet
Winnebago Stories, LaMero—Shinn
Pilgrim Stories, Humphrey
History Stories for Primary Grades,
Mo. Ed., Wayland
*Annetje and Her Family, Leetch—
Lotikvob

*Tommy Tucker on a Plantation, Leetch—Lothrop

*The True Story of Benjamin Franklin, Brooks—Lothrop

*Stories of William Tell, Marshall -Dutton Hero Stories for Children, Collins and Hale

Why We Celebrate Our Holidays,

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Little People of the Snow, Muller Little Folks of Many Lands,

Chance
Journeys in Distant Lands, Barrows & Parker Japanese Fairy Tales, Book II, Williston

How We Are Sheltered, Chamber-How We Are Sheltered, Chamber-lain
How We Travel, Chamberlain
The House We Live In, Carpenter
Homes Far Away, Fairgrieve, Young
Holland Stories, Smith
Eskimo Legends, Snell
Eskimo Stories, Smith
The Earth and Its People, Winslow
Children of Other Lands, Allen &
Robinson

Children of Other Lands, Alien & Robinson
Airways, Engleman and Salmon
Seven Little Sisters, Andrews
Betty in Canada, McDonald
Barbara's Philippine Journey, Burks
Around the World, Book III, Carroll With Taro and Hana in Japan, Su-

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Paz and Pablo, Mitchell
Japanese Twins, Perkins
The Little Swiss Wood Carver,
Brandeis
IV Nature, Science, Invention
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Animal Pets from Far and Near,

Sloane First Book of Birds, Miller First Lessons in Nature Study,

Patch Pads We Eat, Carpenter & Car-

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Merry Animal Tales, Bigham
Nature Study for Boys and Girls,
Book IV, Craig
Once Upon a Time Animal Stories,
Railer

Once Upon Bailey Science Reader, Baby Animal Zoo, Book II, Nida Tanglewood Animals, Flora Wilderness Babies, Schwartz Tami—The Story of a Chipmunk,

Wilderness Barry of a Chipmunk,
Cady
Lobo, Rag and Vixen, Seton
Forest, Field and Stream Stories,
Bailey
Book of Nature Myths, Holbrook
Real Nature Stories, Denton
Insect Ways, Weed
Stories of Bird Life, Pearson
*Little Sea-Folk, Gaylord—Little
Green Magic, Kenly
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Courtesy Book, Dunlea
I Am An American, Bryant
Old Testament Stories, Grover
Atlantic Reader, Book I
Great Pictures and Their Stories,
Book IV, Lester
Little Book of Days, Field
Why We Celebrate Our Holidays,
Curtis

Curtis *High Days and Holidays, Adams, rrick-Dutton
of the Youth of Artists, McCarrick-Roberts

Citizenship Readers,

GRADE V
I Literature and Fiction
Read any 5.
Aesops' Fables, Weeks
Bird's Christmas Carol, Wiggins
Black Beauty, Sewell
Arabian Nights, Entertainment Dwell and Stockton GRADE Entertainments, Jonnson
Andersen's Fairy Tales, Stickney
Tanglewood Tales, Hawthorne
The Little Lame Prince, Craik
The Song of Hiawatha, Longfellow King of the Golden River, Ruskin Nurnberg Stove, La Ramee Poetry, Book V, Huber, Bruner, Curry
Rab and His Friends, Brown
Swiss Family Robinson, Wyss
Uncle Zeb and His Friends, Frentz
Whittier's Child Life
Hans Brinker of the Silver Skates,
Dodge Literature for Reading and Memorization—Book V, Tucker
Merry Adventures of Robin Hood,
Pyle The Treasure of Belden Place, Cav-

anah Father Time's Gifts, Moore, Wilson The Story of Naughty Kildeen,
Marie, Queen of Roumania
Me and Andy, Kelley me and Andy, Kelley Heidi. Spyri Water Babies, Kingsley The Topaz Seal, Heal Olaf, Lofoten Fisherman, Schram Little Pilgrim to Penn's Woods, Al-

bert Sinopah. The Indian Boy, Schultz Sonny Elephant, Bigham Jerry and Grandpa, Wicksteed Children of the Pines, Weeks

II History and Biography

Read any 5. merican History Story Book, Blaisdell, Ball oys and Girls in American His-tory, Blaisdell, Ball Boys of the Ages, Scales Calvert of Maryland, Otis Colonial, Days, Gordy Community Life Today and In Colonial Times, Beeby aniel Boone and the Wilderness Road, Bruce
Davy Crockett, Sprague
Everyday Life in the Colonies,
Stone, Fickett Following the Frontier, Nida From Trail to Railway Through the Appalachians, Brigham Home Life in the Colonial Days, Earle Indian Days of Long Ago Indian Days Today, Seymour Rass Indian Pays of Long Ago
The Indians Today, Seymour
Stories of Pioneer Life, Bass
American Leaders and Heroes, Gordy
Martha of California, Otis
Antoine of Oregon, Otis
Log Cabin Days, Blaisdell
Mary of Plymouth, Otis

Peter of New Amsterdam, Otis Peter of New Amsterdam, Otis
The Puritan Twins, Perkins
Richard of Jamestown, Otis
Ruth of Boston, Otis
Story of Lewis and Clark, Kingsley
Work and Play in Colonial Days,
MacElroy
American Hero Stories, Tappan
Early Candlelight Stories, Skelter
Boys and Girls of Colonial Days,
Bailey Boys an Bailey Boys and Girls of Modern Days, Bailey Bailey
*Number Stories of Long Ago.
Smith—Ginn
Following the Frontier, Nida
Knights Old and New, Hoben
Winnebago Stories, La Mere and

III Geography and Travel

Read any 4.
Alaska, The American Northland, Alaska, The American Northland, Gilman Alaska and Canada, Kern Canadian Wonder Tales, Logie Continents and Their People, North America, Chamberlain Great Cities of the United States, Southworth Great American Industries, Farm Animals, Nida Great American Industries, Miner-als, Rocheleau Great American Industries, Products of the Soil, Rocheleau American Industries, Manufactures, Rocheleau reat American Industries, Trans-portation, Rocheleau epresentative Cities of the United States, Hotchkiss States, Hotchkiss Our National Parks, Book I, Rolfe The Land of the Pilgrims, Thompsen sen Sentinels of the Sea. Owen Kak, the Copper Eskimo, Stefansson *Traveling Shops: Stories of Chinese Children, Rowe—Macmillan *Czechoslovskia. Schott—Macmillan *Theras and His Town, Snedeker—Doubleday

Wanda and Greta at Broby Farm, Palm Palm

IV Nature, Science and Invention

Read any 2. Bird Stories, Patch Clothes We Wear, Carpenter Nature Study for Boys and Girls, Fifth Grade. Craig. Our Bird Friends and Foes, Dupuy Our Winter Birds, Chapman Wild Animals I Have Known, Seton Insect Adventures. Fabre An Alphabet of Aviation, Jones Nature Study Hours, Brown, Wa bury Stories in Trees, Curtis The Wonders of the Jungle, Book

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*Southern Woodland Trees, Berry—
World Book Company

V Art, Music. Civies, Morals

Read any 2.
Heart of a Boy, D'Amicis
Everyday Manners, Wilson
Bible Stories. Vol. I, Moulton
Atlantic Reader, Book II, Condon
Stories Pictures Tell, Book V, Carpenter Great Pictures and Their Stories, Book V. Lester Music Appreciation Reader, Book V.

Boys of the Bible, Snyder Girls of the Bible, Snyder and

Trout *Book of Art for Young People, Conway, Conway—Macmillan

I Literature and Fiction Read any 6. Robinson Crusoe, Defoe Rip Van Winkle, Irving Rip Van Winkle, Irving
Heidi, Spyri
A Dog of Flanders, Ramee
Jungle Book, Kipling
Legend of Sleepy Hollow, Irving
Five Little Peppers and How They Five Little Peppers and Grew, Sidney Moni, the Goat Boy, Spyri Pappina, A Little Italian Girl, Davis Pal O' Mine, King of the Turf, Hawks Poetry, Book VI, Huber, Bruner, Curry
Some Merry Adventures of Robin
Hood, Pyle Hood, Pyle Literature for Reading and Memo-rization, Book VI, Tucker Gulliver's Travels, Swift King Arthur and His Knights, Pyle Hiswatha, Longfellow Little Women, Alcott Bird's Christmas Carol, Wiggins Katrinka, Haskell Katrinka, Haskell
Little Men, Alcott
Skip-Come-A-Lou, Darby
Timethy's Quest. Wiggins
Biography of a Grizzly, Seton
Under the Lilaes, Alcott
Swiss Family Robinson, Wyss
The Prince and the Pauper, Mark Pinocchio's Visit to America, Patri Water Babies, Kingsley The Wind in the Willows, Graham The Wind in the Willows, Gr *Girls of Long Ago, Peters—C Tanglewood Tales, Hawthorne

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GRADE VI

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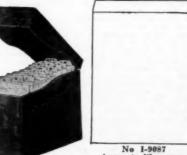
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(List players on this column)

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Columbus, Ohio. His subject was "Evening Schools for the Adult Farmer."

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The twelfth annual conference of the Missouri vocational agriculture teachers was held in Columbia July 30-31, August 1, 1931. There are now 140 departments of Vocational Agriculture in Missouri. Among the out of state

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THE NEW SCHOOL LAW—HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Adapted from Circular from the State Department of Public Schools

Apportionment of all high school tuition moneys. The first apportionment to high schools for non-resident tuition will be made next year, October 15, 1932 as reimbursement for tuition on this year's students.

At the above stated time, money will be repaid to the high schools offering instruction to non-resident pupils based upon the records of this year. The tuition clause of the new law took effect Monday, September 14, 1931. The State will pay tuition at the rate of \$50 for the entire term. If the high school students attend only a fractional part of the term, the State will pay only that fractional part of the \$50.

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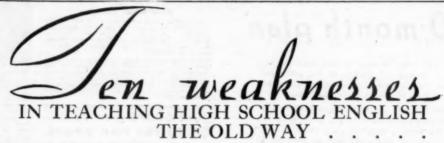
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The following students are entitled to free tuition: All students, grades 9-12 inclusive, living in a district that does not offer a full four years of high school work, provided those students have completed the high school work which their district does offer. Only the additional years of high school work not granted in a district can be counted for tuition.

Tuition money is guaranteed to all districts regardless of the wealth of the district, and this money is not a part of the minimum guarantee for the apportionment of an equalization quota. It is in addition to the equalization quota or to the teacher and attendance quota.

W. F. E. A. RESOLUTIONS

Among the resolutions adopted by Fourth Biennial Conference of the World Federation of Education Associations at Denver, July 27-August 1, 1931 were the following: Recommended by Herman-Jordan Committee

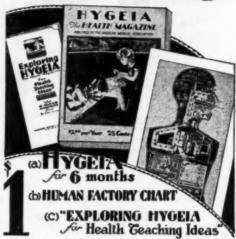
No. I-Since truthful information is basal to international understanding and peace, and correct geographical knowledge is contributory to those ends, the W. F. E. A. recom-mends that a Committee be appointed to study geography materials and to compile a list of sources for geography teaching materials by countries, whereby more com-plete and accurate data may become available for schools and homes in order to establish

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- (b) The contributions of peoples in various regions to present day world civilization as such contributions result from the interrelations between life and natural environment.
- (c) A firmer realization of the necessity for international understanding that will aid world peace and world prosperity.

Recommended by Herman-Jordan Committee No. II—

The W. F. E. A. endorses and desires to encourage the writing and teaching of the history of civilization, particularly in the social studies, thus placing the history of each nation in its proper international setting.

Recommended by Herman-Jordan Committee No. III—

(1) The W. F. E. A. urges colleges and universities to establish courses in International Relations and to place increased emphasis upon subjects in the curriculum which promote international understanding and friendship, such as the history of international relations, international law, treaties and agreements, arbitration cases, international organizations, comparative government, etc.

(2) The W. F. E. A. recommends that a Committee be appointed by the Board of Directors to consider the possibility of the formation of an international University Board with the following purposes in view:

(a) To establish a uniform system of evaluating entrance credits.

(b) To assist in adjusting the foreign student to his new environment by suitable means, such as the International House, and to study the problem of fitting him to readjust himself upon his return home so that his usefulness and service to his own country will be increased.

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(3) The W. F. E. A. recommends:

(a) The teaching of plays and games of various countries, correlated with social studies, and urges that literature and directions dealing with this type of instruction be made more generally available.

made more generally available.
(b) The holding of play days, which by their nature eliminate competition between nation and nation, in order to bring together the youth of different countries of the world.

(4) The W. F. E. A. recommends the formulation of a plan whereby young people may broadcast, by radio, speeches describing the life, customs and ideals of their respective countries and exchange messages of good will and amity.

(5) The W. F. E. A. urges colleges and universities to establish bureaus for the purpose of disseminating information concerning the people of the various

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countries by furnishing speakers from among their foreign students and by supplying articles written by them to newspapers and other periodicals.

Recommended by Herman-Jordan Committee No. IV—

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- (1) The W. F. E. A. pledges its active support to the purpose of the conference on the reduction and limitation of armaments to be held at Geneva in 1932, and calls upon its affiliated organizations to urge upon the respective governments participating in the Conference to support measures for a drastic reduction of all armaments.
- (2) The W. F. E. A. recommends that in view of the above Conference
 - (a) Facts and references bearing upon the purposes of the Conference be collected and a bibliography be prepared;
 - (b) These data and materials be made available to schools through existing agencies, so far as possible, to the end that more complete teaching content be at hand for the study of this current world problem; and
 - (c) Adequate instruction on this subject be given in the schools of all nations early in the coming school year.

Recommended by Herman-Jordan Committee

- (1) The W. F. E. A. is of the opinion that as a basis for an understanding of the principles of cooperation underlying Governmental movements towards international Good Will which should be taught during school life, it is wise for all children in schools to gain knowledge of those historic experiences where peoples have carried out joint projects demonstrating international good will and confidence.
- (2) The W. F. E. A. recommends to educators in all lands that the machinery of peace be studied with increasing emphasis throughout school life.
- (3) The W. F. E. A. urges all Institutions for the Training of Teachers to make the study of International Relations and World Peace a required subject in the curriculum.
- (4) The W. F. E. A. urges authors and publisher to revise their text-books in history and other social studies in the light of the Paris Pact so as to include a record of the various steps which have been taken to promote world peace.

The combined Herman-Jordan Committees presented several rather lengthy resolutions which were adopted. These pertained to teachers' organizations, home and school,



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health, rural education, preparation of teachers and other subjects. It also recommended the following:

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possibility,

(2) That the interchange of pupils during vacations or in the course of the school term should be encouraged,

(3) That the interchange of correspondence and publications between schools should be extended,

(4) That schemes be considered whereby individual schools in different countries should be paired with similar schools in other countries with a view to the development of mutual understanding,

(5) That adequate time should be given to the study of foreign languages in order to facilitate intercommunication and good understanding

good understanding.

(6) That in the curriculum or in extra-curricular activities adequate attention should be given to the development of international understanding.

The W. F. E. A. recommends that a committee be created within the Federation to study existing methods in the various countries and to develop definite projects for the promotion of adult education in international understanding.



Resolutions on Death of Miss Vivian Gaty and of Confidence in her Successor.

The following resolutions of Ste. Genevieve County Teachers Association were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS it has pleased the Lord in his infinite mercy to remove from the scene of her earthly labors, our beloved former County Supt. Miss Vivian P. Gaty, and while we bow in humble submission to his Divine Will, We, the Teachers of Ste. Genevieve County in convention assembled

RESOLVE: That in her death we have lost a dearly beloved leader whose whole interests were devoted to the schools of Ste. Genevieve County, the County of Ste. Genevieve has lost one of its most honored and useful citizens and the children have suffered the loss of one they loved and who loved them, and all the loving kindness of her care the hearts of children shall not soon forget. Be it further

RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, to each of the papers of Ste. Genevieve County and to the School and Community. Respectfully Submitted,

Heresa Fitzpatrick, Chairman, Camilla Dupont, Louis J. Drury. RESOLVED that we the directors and teachers of Ste. Genevieve County wish to show our faith and confidence in the ability and sincerity of our newly appointed County Supt. Miss Vernetta Sexauer and wish to pledge her our hearty support and cooperation in making her administration a success. Be it further

RESOLVED that we express our appreciation to her for the successful meeting we have enjoyed; to Miss Eydman for her leadership in singing; to Miss Buser, Messrs. Buxton, Burton, McCoy, Weaks, Dr. Johnston, Dr. Rutledge, Judge Huck, Franklin, Strunk, Hill, and all others who contributed to the success of the meeting. Therefore be it

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Dr. A. L. Wolfe

Dr. A. L. Wolfe, head of the Department of Classical Languages at Park College and a member of the Teaching Staff since 1889, died July the second at St. Lukes Hospital,

Kansas City, Missouri, of cancer.

Dr. Wolfe has an unusual record as a scholar and educator. He received his Ph.D. from New York University and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. For two years, from 1913 to 1915, Dr. Wolfe served as acting president of Park College. He took an active part in the program of the Classical Associa-tion of the Middle West, and during his entire lifetime was an active force in the pro-motion of scholarship. He has contributed numerous articles dealing with the work in his special field.

MR. AND MRS. J. P. COLEMAN CELE-BRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

On July 14th, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Coleman celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. The celebration took place on the old home farm in Chariton county which has been Mr. Coleman's "real home" since 1866 at which time his father moved to the place. The home situated on a prominent hill in the midst of 200 acres fertile fields was indeed a fitting place for such a happy occasion as this celebration proved to be. Here the groom had lived many of his youthful days, here he had shocked wheat on the day of the wedding fifty years ago, here he. with his wife and children had spent many days of their lives together.

Many of the old neighbors were present at the observance of the anniversary, some of whom still live in the community. Guests from every part of Missouri were present.

Mr. Coleman is a well known educator in the state and has spent the later years as the representative of a text-book publisher. His educational career began as a rural teacher in

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Mrs. Coleman is the daughter of Dr. L. E.

Mrs. Coleman is the daughter of Dr. L. E. Perkins who at the time of her marriage was a farmer physician in the Coleman neighborhood. Later he moved to Kansas City.

Eight children have blessed the home of these good people, five of whom are living. They are Mrs. C. B. Talbert of Tulsa, Oklahoma; J. M. Coleman of Albany, New York; L. E. Coleman of New York City; Mrs. Dempsey Anderson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Miss Mary Coleman who lives with her father and mother on the old home place.

The observance of this anniversary furnished the occasion for the reunion of all the children with their parents.

A NEW PUBLICATION

An editorial board consisting of Charles A. Beard, Harold G. Moulton, David S. Muzzey, and E. A. Ross has joined Walker E. Myer, editor and publisher, in launching a new weekly magazine to be called **The American Observer**. The first issue will appear September 9. Its purpose is to give students an impartial picture of national and international affairs, and an analysis of opinion respecting those affairs as it is reflected in the press of the country. Edmund Duffy of the Baltimore Sun, winner of the Pulitzer prize for the best cartoon of the year, will contribute a weekly cartoon.

It is the intention of the editors of The American Observer to correlate the work of students in the social sciences with the latest manifestations of social, economic and political forces. The place of publication is 3418 Fourteenth St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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NAME EXPERT TO STUDY EDUCATION BY RADIO

Appointment of Cline M. Koon, assistant director of the Ohio School of the Air the past two years, to fill the newly created post in the Office of Education, Specialist in Education by Radio, was announced today by the Secretary of the Interior.

Duties of the new Office of Education specialist will be to initiate and conduct research studies of radio as an educational agency; to organize and maintain an informational and advisory service to schools and other agencies interested in the field of education by radio; to become familiar with college and university extension work so that the part radio as a tool may take in this field may be evaluated; and to prepare material for publication on phases of education by radio.

Mr. Koon was graduated from West Virginia University in 1915 with the degree of Bachelor of Science, and received his A. M. degree from Teachers College, Columbia University, three years later. For 9 years he was principal of high schools in West Virginia.

Creation of the radio specialist position in the Office of Education recognizes the growing importance of education by radio. It was authorized as a result of many recommendations, including one of the National Advisory Committee on Education by radio last year, which stressed the need of such a section in the Office of Education.

newly appointed radio specialist through his affiliation with the successful Ohio School of the Air, has made many contacts in the radio field which will be valuable to him in conducting this phase of educational activity in the Federal Office of Education. He assisted in directing educational broadcasts which are now heard regularly in approximately 8,000 school rooms.

QUALIFICATIONS OF AMERICA'S 153,000 ONE-ROOM SCHOOL TEACHERS

How much training have the teachers of the 153,000 one-room rural schools of the United States, is a question answered by a recent

summary of the Federal Office of Education. "If all the teachers of one-teacher schools stood side by side, their ranks would extend in an unbroken line 87 1/10 miles. Assuming this army of teachers were arranged in such a way that the one having received the least amount of training stood at one end and the one having received the largest amount of training at the other, a person reviewing this company would find it necessary to walk a distance of 81/2 miles before coming to a teacher with a training equivalent to 2 years

of high school.
"One would have to walk half the entire distance before approaching a teacher with training equal to high school graduation, and would have to continue his walk for a total distance of 67 3/5 miles before reaching the first teacher with the equivalent of 2 years of normal school education. The jaunt would be continued to within 13 miles of the end of the line before one who had the equivalent of a college education would be reached.

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"Since men teachers are a great scarcity in one-teacher schools the typical teachers is a woman about 27 years old. She would have a total education of four years and one month above the grade school; her teaching experi-ence would total 2 years and 6 months; she would receive an annual salary of \$874; she would have under her care a total of 22 farm children, and she would be employed in her school for a total of 152 days a year.

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